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Special invitation: Lowes Foods invites Lexington, SC-area residents to join ribbon cutting on Friday, July 21 at 8 a.m.

Lowes Foods to Open Second Lexington, SC Store on Friday, July 21

Both Lexington Stores Offer Lowes Foods to Go Personal Shopping Service

LEXINGTON, S.C. (JULY 7, 2017) – Lowes Foods, a Carolinas-based grocer, will celebrate the grand opening of its second Lexington, SC store, located off Hope Ferry Road at U.S. 378, on Friday, July 21 with a special ribbon cutting ceremony at 8 a.m. The second store comes on the heels of the May 24 opening of Lowes Foods' first Lexington store, which is located at the Northwest corner of Charter Oak Road and Augusta Road.

"We thank the people of Lexington for the very warm welcome we have received at our first location, and we look forward to our next store opening, "Lowes Foods president Tim Lowe said. "When we open a store, we want to do more than just sell groceries. We want to be a part of the community. We want to help schools with programs like Cart 2 Class and to support local farmers and producers by helping them grow their business. In fact, the area is not new to us. We have been working with folks such as Titan, WP Rawl and Clayton Rawl Farms for decades."

Lowe said the Hope Ferry Road store is identical to the first store and includes Lowes Foods Originals such as the Community Table, The Beer Den, SausageWorks, The Cakery, Bread Crumb, Smokehouse, Sammy's, The Chicken Kitchen and Pick & Prep. Unlike the Charter Oak Road store, however, the second location will not include a fuel center.

Both Lowes Foods stores in Lexington feature Lowes Foods to Go, an online ordering service where guests can select their groceries online, have Lowes Foods hosts do the shopping for them, and pick up the ready-to-go order curb side. For more information about Lowes Foods to Go and to watch a brief instructional video, please visit lowesfoods.com/onlineshopping/new-lowes-foods-to-go/.

"Whether you're looking to save time on your weekly grocery run or are just in hurry on the way home work, Lowes Foods to Go is an easy way to get exactly what you want in a fraction of the time it takes to shop for yourself," Lowe said. "Many store guests also find that it helps them save money by reducing impulse shopping inside the store. Lowes Foods To Go is changing the online grocery shopping experience, and we're pleased to offer it to the Lexington community."

Lowes Foods will open a store in Columbia, located at 4711 Forest Drive, in mid-2018. The grocer also opened two stores in Greer and one in Simpsonville last year and has plans to open stores in Summerville, Mt. Pleasant and a third location in the Greenville area.

Founded in 1954, Lowes Foods employs approximately 9,000 people and operates nearly 100 full-service supermarkets in North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. Locally owned and operated, Lowes Foods is truly a homegrown company committed to bringing community back to the table, by providing customers with the freshest and most innovative local products from local suppliers. The company maintains a strong focus on exceptional attention to our guests, with services like Lowes Foods-To-Go personal shopping and gas rewards discounts. To learn more, visit lowesfoods.com or follow Lowes Foods on Facebook or Twitter. Lowes Foods, LLC is a wholly owned subsidiary of Alex Lee, Inc.

About Alex Lee, Inc.

Founded in 1931, Alex Lee is a family-owned and operated company that employs approximately 10,000 people. It serves as the parent company of Merchants Distributors, LLC, which provides full-service, wholesale distribution to supermarkets. In addition, Alex Lee is the parent company of Lowes Foods, which includes nearly 100 full-service grocery stores in North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia, as well as Just Save food stores in North Carolina. Alex Lee, Inc. is based in Hickory, NC.

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