CHEF MARCUS SAMUELSSON LAUNCHES MARCUS AT NOHU ROOFTOP BAR AND RESTAURANT AT ENVUE HOTEL IN PORT IMPERIAL

Seasonal Pop-Up from Celebrated Chef Opens on August 19 Featuring 15,000 Square Foot Outdoor Roof Deck with Stunning NYC Views

WEEHAWKEN, NJ (August 19, 2020) – Chef Marcus Samuelsson is bringing his signature style and cuisine to the NoHu, a chic rooftop bar and restaurant at Weehawken's EnVue, Autograph Collection Hotel in Port Imperial. The breathtaking 15,000 square foot outdoor roof deck is just steps away from the ferry terminal providing convenient access to and from both Midtown and Downtown Manhattan, and offers expansive views of the Hudson River and Manhattan skyline with ample space for social distancing.

Starting on August 19, Marcus at NoHu will introduce a seasonally-inspired menu of selections such as Tomato Peach Salad with Lioni Latticini Burrata and Basil; Summer Succotash with Okra, Local Lima Beans, Corn and Tomato; as well as larger format specials like Whole Roasted Branzino for Two with Pickled Onions and Garlic Rice; and Bird Royale Whole Fried Chicken with all the "Fixins." To complement the menu, a hand-crafted selection of cocktails, wine and beer includes creations like the *Cuckoo Bird* (Rum, Cuckoo Campari, Pineapple, Mango, and Smoked Chili) and frozen cocktails such as the *Watermelon Sugar* (Red Wine, Watermelon, Mint, and Black Pepper).

"Right now, being able to have a great meal outside in a beautiful setting with incredible views is needed more than ever, which is what made this opportunity one I couldn't pass up," shared Chef Marcus Samuelsson. "Our team is beyond excited to cook with the best of summer produce from our favorite local farms and suppliers and serve our customers in a beautiful spot where they can hopefully relax and unwind for a moment during these trying times."

Chef Samuelsson is the acclaimed chef, cookbook author, TV personality, philanthropist and food activist behind the iconic New York City restaurant, Red Rooster Harlem and Marcus B+P in Newark. He has won multiple James Beard Foundation awards for his work as a chef and as host of PBS's No Passport Required, his public television series produced with Vox/Eater. Samuelsson was crowned champion of Top Chef Masters and Chopped All Stars, and was the guest chef for President Obama's first state dinner. During the COVID-19 pandemic, he converted several of his restaurants, including Marcus B+P in Newark, into community kitchens in partnership with World Central Kitchen, serving well over 150,000 meals to those in need.

"The people in and around the Port Imperial community are craving new and exciting things to safely enjoy with their loved ones," said Matthes Metz, General Manager, EnVue. "We couldn't be more thrilled to team up with the powerhouse Chef Marcus Samuelsson to bring our community an amazing new dining offering during this difficult time period."

EnVue is owned and developed by Roseland Residential Trust, a subsidiary of Mack-Cali, one of the leading developers of luxury lifestyle-oriented multifamily and mixed-use properties throughout the Northeast. EnVue is dually operated with the neighboring Residence Inn Weehawken. Roseland has led the transformation of Port Imperial, a \$3-billion, 200-acre community on the Hudson River Waterfront in New Jersey. The company's vision for the neighborhood is to continue creating a holistic lifestyle-oriented destination that offers unmatched transportation access to Manhattan and New Jersey.

NoHu is open every day of the week, for dining, drinks and weekend brunch. Reservations are recommended to ensure availability and to receive notifications about closure due to inclement weather. For reservations, call 201-683-2132 or visit: <u>http://envuehotel.com/dining/nohu/</u>.

NoHu Hours of Operation:

<u>Rooftop Bar</u> Monday – Thursday: 5:00pm – 12:00am Friday – Saturday: 3:00pm – 1:00am

<u>Rooftop Brunch</u> Saturday and Sunday: 11:00am – 3:00pm

Perfect for private events and weddings, in addition to the 15,000 square food outdoor rooftop, the hotel also offers over 18,000 square feet of indoor space including views of New York City. For inquiries, contact <u>sales@envuehotel.com</u>. Please note the hotel is still closed to overnight guests. For more information about EnVue, Autograph Collection, click <u>here</u> or call 201-758-7920. For more information on updated ferry schedules and operating routes, please visit the <u>NY Waterway website</u>.

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