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**MISSION BBQ donates \$83,150 to Navy SEAL Foundation**

*Check Presentation held at the Virginia Beach, VA location*

Virginia Beach, VA (May 16, 2018) MISSION BBQ Co-founders Bill Kraus and Steve Newton, announced the donation of \$83,150 to the Navy SEAL Foundation, the Virginia Beach-based national non-profit that serves the Naval Special Warfare community and its families. Phil Boyer, Director of Operations, presented the check to Scott Burke, Chief Financial Officer of the Foundation. This donation was made possible by the generous support of Our Customers through the purchase of Mission BBQ's American Heroes Cups during 2017. Available at 4 MISSION BBQ locations in the Hampton Roads area, \$2 from the purchase of an American Heroes Cup is donated to the Navy SEAL Foundation.

This collaboration between MISSION BBQ and the Navy SEAL Foundation began in March 2016. "It's our honor and privilege to Serve and Support such a respected and giving organization like the Navy SEAL Foundation. Their volunteers, programs, and dedicated efforts have tirelessly supported America's Heroes," said Steve Newton, Co-Founder of MISSION BBQ.

"It is such an honor to be here today accepting this generous donation from MISSION BBQ founders Bill and Steve," said Scott Burke, Chief Financial Officer for the Foundation. "On behalf of the Navy SEAL Foundation and those we support, I'd like to express our gratitude to the MISSION BBQ family, their employees and especially the patrons here in Hampton Roads. Your commitment to our military, first-responders and their families is making a real difference. This donation, which was created one cup at a time, demonstrates that working together we can make a positive difference in our community and we cannot thank you enough."

**About MISSION BBQ:**

MISSION BBQ opened its doors for business on September 11, 2011. We believe there is nothing more American than BBQ. And nobody more American than the brave men and women who have sworn to protect and serve Our Communities and Our Country. We do what we do for the love of our soldiers, firefighters, police officers, and first responders—all our loved ones in service. We set across this great land from Texas to Kansas City, the Carolinas to St. Louis...to discover the secrets of great BBQ. Every day we strive to serve you authentic BBQ made from the freshest, most delectable ingredients, and serve it to you in a patriotic dining room filled with tributes to those who've made Our Country great, given to us by the people who earned them. Stop by at lunchtime, and you might catch us during our daily salute to the Stars and Stripes. For more information about MISSION BBQ: <http://mission-bbq.com/>

**About the Navy SEAL Foundation:**

The Navy SEAL Foundation is a 501c3 national non-profit charitable organization committed to America's most elite warriors, supporting U.S. Navy SEALs, their community and families by empowering and assisting them through challenges and triumphs. The Foundation provides over 30 tailored programs specifically designed to

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meet the unique needs of Naval Special Warfare (NSW) warriors, veterans, families, and families of the fallen. Since the 9/11 terrorist attacks, there has been an unprecedented demand for Special Operations Forces around the globe. SEALs spend up to 270 days away from home each year in the most unforgiving environments and train at an unrelenting pace in order to maintain their ability to execute our nation's toughest military missions. Their commitment to our country and the mission is only possible because of the significant personal sacrifices made by them and their families. We believe that they should not face these challenges alone. To learn more about the Navy SEAL Foundation, please visit: [www.navySEALfoundation.org](http://www.navySEALfoundation.org)

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