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SALE E PEPE EARNS PRESTIGIOUS “OSPITALITA ITALIANA” AWARD RECOGNIZING IT AS A TOP ITALIAN RESTAURANT IN THE WORLD

MARCO ISLAND, FL. (October 9) – Sale e Pepe, an elegant yet resort casual restaurant located at the Marco Beach Ocean Resort overlooking the Gulf of Mexico, has received the prestigious “Ospitalita Italiana Ristoranti Italiana nel mondo” Seal of Quality Award from the Italy-America Chamber of Commerce. The award recognizes the authenticity of the cuisine, products used and the maintenance of high standards of Italian hospitality.

As an award recipient, Sale e Pepe will be included in the third edition of “Ospitalita Italiana: The Authentic Italian Table,” which recognizes authentic Italian cuisine. The restaurant also participated in a large-scale public event at The Metropolitan Pavilion in September, where attendees could sample the best of Italy’s authentic culinary heritage.

Italy’s stunning culinary achievements, as well as its magnificent Renaissance art and architecture are celebrated at the beachfront Sale e Pepe restaurant. Chef Giuliano Matrrese and his culinary team create, from scratch daily, a menu reminiscent of his Southern Italian homeland, combining the familiar taste of fresh ingredients with exotic herbs and spices, giving traditional Southern Italian cuisine a progressive feel.

Sale e Pepe offers options to dine elegantly indoors or beachside on The Terrace, and has been recognized consecutively each year since 2006 by Wine Spectator magazine for its extensive wine list and by AAA as a Four Diamond Award Winning Restaurant.

Sale e Pepe is enjoyed by Marco Beach Ocean Resort guests, locals and residents of Fiddler’s Creek, especially those who take the opportunity to join The Tarpon Club. Member benefits include dining discounts and priority seating at Sale e Pepe as well as beach privileges at the Resort, complimentary valet, onsite concierge and an extensive social calendar. Members also receive preferred services at the full-service Tarpon Club Marina with direct access to the Gulf of Mexico.

Located just off Collier Boulevard between Naples and Marco Island, Fiddler’s Creek is an award-winning community. Amenities include the 54,000-square-foot Club & Spa, Fitness Center, Tropical Lagoon-Style Swimming Complex, Tennis Courts, Tot Lot, and

Casual and Elegant Dining Restaurants. The Club & Spa at Fiddler's Creek offers a luxurious resort lifestyle and is the location of numerous community-wide parties and special events throughout the year for residents of all ages.

Residents also have the opportunity to join The Golf Club, featuring The Creek Course, a championship golf course ranked in Golfweek's 100 Best Residential Golf Courses in the country for the ninth consecutive year.

For additional information, call 239-732-9300, stop by the Fiddler's Creek Information Center at 8152 Fiddler's Creek Parkway or visit online at <http://www.fiddlerscreek.com>.

Reservations are preferred at Sale e Pepe and can be made by calling the restaurant at 239-393-1600. Seasonal specials are available online by visiting www.sale-e-pepe.com.

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