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California State Railroad Museum Foundation Announces Menu for VIP Cocktail Train Ride Experiences Limited Tickets Still on Sale for Farm-To-Fork Cocktail Train Rides Presented by Rabobank on September 23 & 24

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (September 18, 2017) – Showcasing the rich history and deep connection between agriculture and the railroad, the California State Railroad Museum Foundation and Harvego Restaurant Group are proud to announce the Farm-to-Fork menu that guests will enjoy on the two VIP Cocktail Train Ride experiences available on Saturday, September 23 & Sunday, September 24, 2017. Rabobank N.A. – a locally based bank serving California communities grounded in agriculture – is the presenting sponsor for the 2017 Farm-to-Fork Cocktail Train ride experiences that first debuted in 2015 when it was recognized as a finalist in *Sunset Magazine's* Travel Awards competition in the "Best Train Experience" category.

Created and prepared by Jay Veregge, Director of Culinary Operations for Harvego Restaurant Group, and his talented culinary team, the Farm-to-Fork Cocktail Train menu is as follows:

- Blue Diamond Cocktail Vodka, amaretto, vanilla-infused brown sugar simple syrup, lemon juice, Blue Diamond almond milk, frozen pear ice cube with a sprinkle of cinnamon;
- Local Cheese Plate Sonoma cheese, Blue Diamond almonds, Del Rio honey and palm dates;
- **Pear and Prosciutto Bruschetta** Stillwater Orchards pear relish, spicy Blue Diamond almonds and local ham;
- Wild Smoked Salmon Rillettes Toast points, cream cheese and fried capers;
- Roasted Duck Slider Liberty Farms duck, salt-cured grape preserve and pickled carrots;
- **Dessert** Blue Diamond Almond and Stillwater Orchards pear cookie with brandy.

With one VIP train ride on each evening at 6 p.m. departing from the Central Pacific Freight Depot in Old Sacramento, Farm-To-Fork Cocktail Train ride guests can sit back and experience what first class was like during the early decades of the 20th century as developed by the Southern Pacific Railroad. Uniformed stewards provide the finest first class service onboard three of the California State Railroad Museum's first class cars: the Audubon dining car, the *El Dorado* lounge car and the French Quarter lounge car from the 1950s that served the famed Southern Pacific *Sunset Limited* service. As an added treat, the cars will be pulled by two eye-catching locomotives – Western Pacific No. 913 and Southern Pacific No. 6051 – both of which are classic streamlined locomotives representative of the first generation of diesel-electric locomotives.

Space is limited on The Farm-To-Fork Cocktail Train and tickets are still available. Train ride tickets cost \$100 per person and all train ride guests must be 21 or over. The Farm-to-Fork Cocktail Train is a Foundation fundraiser for the California State Railroad Museum, Railtown 1897 State Historic Park and the future California Railroad Technology Museum. For more information or to purchase tickets to The Cocktail Train presented by Rabobank, please visit <u>https://www.californiarailroad.museum/</u>

About the California State Railroad Museum Foundation

The mission of the California State Railroad Museum Foundation (CSRMF) is to generate revenue and awareness on behalf of its destinations, while supporting the preservation, interpretation and promotion of our railroad heritage. The Foundation provides funding for ongoing support of numerous programs, both at the museum's Old Sacramento location and at the historic park in Jamestown, Calif. The Foundation and its board of directors is currently laying groundwork for a future California Railroad Technology Museum capital campaign proposed as part of the downtown Sacramento railyard development project. For more information, please visit www.californiarailroad.museum

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