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**Thorntons Says Thank You to Frontline Medical Personnel
with Donut Deliveries in Kentuckiana and Free Beverage Offer in All Communities**

(Louisville, KY – April 14, 2020) – Thorntons would like to thank our doctors, nurses, first responders and other medical personnel who are working tirelessly on the frontlines to care for our community during this unique and challenging time. Beginning on Easter Sunday and continuing indefinitely, Thorntons will deliver fresh and delicious donuts to local area hospitals.

Thorntons makes fresh donuts daily at the company's Louisville-based commissary, Fresh Serve Bakeries, and delivers to our stores in Louisville, Southern Indiana, Lexington, Indianapolis and Cincinnati. Beginning this week, our drivers will add an extra stop to their daily routes making donut deliveries to local hospital systems and their facilities, including Norton Healthcare, University of Louisville Hospital, Clark Memorial Hospital, Baptist Hospital East and Baptist-Floyd Memorial Hospital in Southern Indiana.

Additionally, the company will continue its free beverage offer for first responders and health care workers at all stores nationwide. All first responders and medical personnel are invited to stop in to any of our 200 Thorntons locations at any time for a free small coffee, cappuccino or fountain drink as a thank you for serving our communities. Valid ID is required for the free beverage and return visits are permitted. Thorntons stores are open 24 hours a day and the offer is good at any time.

"We are incredibly grateful for all of the essential personnel who are keeping our communities going during these trying times—especially the countless medical personnel who are risking their health and wellbeing to care for our communities," said Simon Richards, President and Chief Executive Officer. "Sharing some of our favorite products is one small way for Thorntons to show our appreciation for these most essential workers."

Thorntons cares deeply about the welfare of our Guests and Team Members. We've greatly increased the frequency of our always high inside and outside cleaning standards and implemented several social distancing measures to help minimize contact while remaining open 24/7 to serve our communities with safe and clean places to shop for essential needs.

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About Thorntons LLC

Based in Louisville, Kentucky, Thorntons operates 200 stores that provide high quality fresh foods, beverages and fuel in six states: Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Tennessee and Florida. The company's mission is to be people's favorite place to stop when they are on-the-go and people's favorite place to work. Thorntons is a vertically integrated company with its own fuel terminal, blending plants, transportation fleet and commissary. Thorntons has a passion for giving back to the communities where Guests and Team Members live and work. Thorntons volunteers make their communities better through community service, humanitarian day events and fundraising projects. Learn more about Thorntons by visiting www.mythorntons.com. Connect with Thorntons on Facebook www.facebook.com/thorntonsllc and Twitter @ThorntonsLLC.