## The Cajun Kitchen reopens after 3 long years on Marietta Street in Atlanta

Utopia announces the reopening of the Cajun Kitchen, serving New Orleans style Cajun and Creole Food

Sept. 22, 2008 - PRLog -- (Panorama Press) - Utopia Lounge announced the reopening of the world famous Cajun Kitchen on Marietta Street in Midtown Atlanta, Georgia. The Utopia Lounge is located the vibrant new area of Atlanta known as Midtown West. The Cajun Kitchen was originally opened in 1987 as part of old Somber Reptile music hall that closed in 2004. The kitchen got its fame by serving authentic New Orleans style Cajun and Creole cuisine to over 5000 bands local and touring bands spanning over 3 decades. The Cajun Kitchen got international recognition by being a favorite eating destination of many international athletes, during the 1996 Olympic Games, who preferred to cross the street from the Olympic Village to get their nourishment. The restaurant was a favorite of Georgia Tech students, Coca Cola executives, Marta drivers, artists, Atlanta Journal and Constitution employees and downtown workers alike.

Eliot Mackle, legendary Atlanta food writer wrote "By day, in any case, Cajun Kitchen draws informally dressed Techie profs, suits from the nearby Coca-Cola imperial chancellery, artists from the district's gentrified lofts and studios, uniformed cops, fire fighters and thick-armed, tattooed dudes in jeans and coveralls"

Utopia is famous for its alluring decor and International artistry fused with world class music. Utopia is a hip, trendy lounge was the "mile-long" bar with funky bar stools and a shiny metallic bar top with the contrasting copper-colored. It serves as the focal point at this huge property. There are comfortable couches grouped on one edge, tables in the middle, and cozy booths lining the sides. There's a working fireplace, low tables and chairs, and more couches in a private event room called Shangri La. Adjacent to Utopia is Ice, an upscale venue for private functions with a covered waterpool in the middle and elevated VIP sections. There is a bar on one side and couches on the otherside a swing hanging from the ceiling.

The Utopia entertainment complex has earned the reputation of being one of the most popular venues in Midtown Atlanta. The venue is the newest addition to the Blue Grotto family of companies.

Utopia owners Donny and La Mui and former owner of the Somber Reptile, Quique Lopez, are partnering to bring the popular restaurant back to the original location. "I am very excited to be working with Donny and La. They have turned this old building into a work of art. The décor is first class and amenities are unbelievable. They have transformed the corner of Marietta Street and Northside Drive into an awesome venue." said Lopez. "We are bringing back world renowned chef Morris Butler who born into the art of Cajun and Creole cooking and studied in some of New Orleans' most famous restaurant like Commanders Palace, Brennan's and La Pavillon. Chef Morris is bringing his old staff and serving up all the favorites including Crawfish Etouffe, Jambalaya and Shrimp Creole."

The Cajun Kitchen is currently open for lunch Monday-Friday from 11am-2pm, dinner Monday-Thursday from 5pm-10pm and Friday-Saturday from 5pm-11pm. The restaurant is located at the corner of Northside Drive and Marietta Street in Midtown Atlanta and across the street from Georgia Tech University. Catering and Take out is available at (404)-898-8788. The restaurant also launched a new website named www.CajunFoodAtlanta.com where visitors can see the menu and lunch specials.

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