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AMERICAN CULINARY FEDERATION –GREATER BATON ROUGE CHAPTER NAMES CHEF DON BERGERON AS 2009 CHEF OF THE YEAR

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Baton Rouge, LA, February 23, 2010—The American Culinary Federation (ACF) - Greater Baton Rouge Chapter, has named Don Bergeron, owner of Chef Don Bergeron Enterprises and Mid-City Market in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, the 2009 Chef of the Year. The announcement was made by ACF-Baton Rouge Chapter President Chef Ron Sonnier, at the ACF-BR Chef of the Year Awards banquet on February 22, at White Oak Plantation.

“Chef Don Bergeron is an outstanding culinarian, and has generously served the Baton Rouge Chapter of the ACF as Vice-President for the last two years and represented the entire food industry during his career. It is my pleasure to recognize him for his many contributions naming him 2009 Chef of the Year ” said Sonnier.

Upon presentation of the award, Bergeron, an active member of the ACF for 3 years, said, “I am humbled and honored to receive this prestigious award from my peers. I look forward to growing our local chapter of the ACF and welcoming other culinarians into an industry that is so vital to our economy.” He is owner of Chef Don Bergeron Enterprises, a catering and event planning company, and Mid-City Market, a retail market featuring prepared cuisine to go and hot plate lunches and dinners.

About the American Culinary Federation (ACF)

Founded in 1929, the American Culinary Federation is the largest and most prestigious chefs’ organization in the United States. ACF’s goal is to make a positive difference for culinarians internationally through education, apprenticeship, and certification, while creating a fraternal bond of respect and integrity among culinarians everywhere. The Greater Baton Rouge Chapter is a member of the national American Culinary Federation and was founded in 1974. ACF offers educational programs and opportunities for both the culinary student and professional culinarian.

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