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Partners dedicate Stripes Child Life Program at Driscoll Children's Hospital

CORPUS CHRISTI – The Stripes Child Life Program at Driscoll Children's Hospital will be formally dedicated tomorrow when officials from the Stripes convenience store chain announce a \$1,000,000 commitment to Steve Woerner, Driscoll's president and chief executive officer, in the hospital's auditorium. Representing Stripes will be Sam L. Susser, president and chief executive officer of Susser Holdings Corp. and Steve DeSutter, president and chief executive officer for Stripes.

“We are extremely grateful for this commitment,” said Martha St. Romain, vice president of development at Driscoll. “Stripes is helping us to improve and expand the support services we offer at Driscoll for patients and their families. Any time you can make a child's hospital stay more pleasant, or even enjoyable, you have invested in that child's future. We are pleased to inaugurate the Stripes Child Life Program at Driscoll Children's Hospital in recognition of this significant partnership.”

Recognizing that being hospitalized can be stressful, the Stripes Child Life Program at Driscoll Children's Hospital is run by child development specialists who provide support for patients and their families to make their experience as positive as possible. Through the Stripes partnership, three additional Child Life specialists will be added to the staff.

“Stripes' commitment goes beyond providing excellent service to its customers. Giving back to our communities is important to us because it supports our values and strengthens

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our communities. Stripes' 7,000 team members work on programs throughout the year designed to enhance the health and education of children residing in the communities where we serve. Our team knows firsthand that Driscoll saves children's lives and we are very proud to make a multi-year commitment to help support the hospital reach kids throughout South Texas," said Sam L. Susser, president and CEO of Susser Holdings Corp.

New programs will be made possible by the partnership, including a pre-op tour program that will familiarize patients and their families with the operating room before scheduled surgeries. Another, a sibling grief support group, will help children who've lost a sibling heal and cope with their feelings.

About Driscoll Children's Hospital...

*"Improve the health of adults and you give them back their health...
Improve the health of children and you give them their life."*

Driscoll Children's Hospital is a 189-bed pediatric tertiary care center with pediatric specialists representing 32 medical and 13 surgical specialties offering care throughout South Texas, including Corpus Christi, the Rio Grande Valley, Victoria and Laredo. Each year, more than 100,000 children receive care through Driscoll, including the 40,000 patients seen at South Texas' first emergency room created specifically for pediatrics.

About Susser Holdings Corporation

Corpus Christi, Texas-based Susser Holdings Corporation is a third-generation family led business that operates more than 510 convenience stores in Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma under the Stripes and Town & Country banners. Restaurant service is available in more than 290 of its stores, primarily under the proprietary Laredo Taco Company and Country Cookin' brands. The Company also supplies branded motor fuel to approximately 370 independent dealers through its wholesale fuel division.

- **What:** Stripes Child Life Program at Driscoll Children's Hospital Dedication
- **When:** Wednesday, July 1, 2009, 10 a.m.
- **Where:** Driscoll Children's Hospital Auditorium, 3533 S. Alameda

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