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**Ulele Serves a Meal for the Hungry & Homeless Guests at Trinity Cafe**

**Thanks to Local Girl Scout's Efforts**

TAMPA – Ulele will take over the meal service at Trinity Cafe on Wed., Aug. 17. Their chef and servers will be planning, cooking and serving a native-inspired three-course menu for approximately 300 hungry and homeless guests. On tap will be roasted corn chowder, Water Works meatloaf with a cabernet garlic demi-glace, white cheddar popcorn mashed potatoes, green beans and mac and cheese. Dessert will be apples and Ulele house-made Valhrona chocolate ice cream.

"Few people live on the streets by choice. It's almost always caused by circumstances beyond their control. If the Columbia Restaurant can provide Trinity Cafe's guests with a warm meal, served with respect and compassion, we might give them more than a meal, also hope and incentive for a better life," Richard Gonzmart, fourth generation co-owner and president of the Columbia Restaurant Group.

A local Girl Scout and Trinity Cafe volunteer, Gracie Goltermann, secured this popular restaurant through her "Feed the Need Tampa Bay" Gold Award project. The Gold Award is the highest honor a Girl Scout can achieve. Gracie received this award by implementing this innovative and sustainable project and securing restaurants to provide a meal to Trinity Cafe guests. Ulele is one of about 10 restaurants that have participated since the kickoff last September.

"I hope some of my colleagues will commit to Feed the Need Tampa Bay and join us in providing a meal," said Trinity Cafe Executive Chef, Ben D'Azzo, "You cannot believe how rewarding it is to see the impact your food has on people who may not have a meal otherwise."

**About Trinity Cafe**

Trinity Cafe, a 501 (c) (3) non-denominational charity, has been a lifeline for the hungry and homeless in Tampa Bay since 2001, having served more than 1.1 million restaurant quality meals with dignity. Trinity Cafe prepares and serves 300-400 meals each day, 52 weeks a year, and doubled its impact on hunger in 2016 by opening a second location. At Trinity Cafe, we provide a meal. But it's so much more than the meal. We show respect, kindness, acceptance and compassion to all we serve.