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Camino Brewery and Taproom Opens April 7 in Historic San José Neighborhood

San José enjoys a boom in craft brewing

SAN JOSE, Calif. – In a former mechanic’s warehouse just south of I-280, the latest member of San José’s growing craft brewing community celebrates its grand opening on April 7, 2017, from 2-10 pm. Mayor Sam Liccardo will help cut the ceremonial ribbon at the Camino Brewery and Taproom at 3:30 pm, followed by live music, games and food.

Located at 718 South First Street, Camino Brewery and Tap room is enlivening an industrial area that has not seen development in 30 years. The neighborhood is known best for the iconic Faber’s Cyclery building, which suffered a disastrous fire in 2013, and is currently being restored. Faber’s was the longest operating bicycle shop in California as well as the site of a pre-Prohibition saloon. Faber’s courtyard still features a 150-year old pepper tree, and there are plans for Camino Brewery and Taproom to share the courtyard once restoration is complete.

“Beer connoisseurs from across the city are excited to welcome Camino Brewery into San José’s craft beer family,” said Mayor Sam Liccardo. “I thank Camino Brewery for their investment in San José and adding its unique flavor to the growing tapestry of Silicon Valley’s vibrant urban core.”

In addition to Camino, San José’s emerging craft beer scene includes Upoar Brewing, The Forager Eatery, Clandestine Brewing, Strike, Hermitage, Santa Clara Valley Brewing, and Hapa’s Brewing Company.

About Camino Brewery and Taproom

Camino Brewery’s beginnings were in a 1,900-mile cycling trip taken by co-founders Nathan Poulos and Allen Korenstein along the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage trail in Spain. Inspired by the journey, local food and drink, as well as friends met along the way, they returned home to become gypsy brewers, brewing beer at several bay area breweries. They built a local following and raised funds to construct their own brewery and taproom. Camino makes fresh, delicious beer with a focus on quality, flavor, and taste, and has partnered with local suppliers like

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Chromatic Coffee to make their Cafe Con Leche Sweet Milk Stout with single origin coffees from around the world. Camino beer is distributed by Waterloo Beverages, and is available at 43 Whole Foods markets, Costco, and bars and restaurants throughout the bay area.

About San José Office of Economic Development

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About the City of San José

Known as the Capital of Silicon Valley, San José is the nation's tenth largest city and the largest city in Northern California, with an ethnically diverse population of more than 1 million. San José was founded in 1777, once served as the state capital of California, and now encompasses 180 square miles. Facts about San José can be found here: <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/780>.

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