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The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. Appoints Katherine Oliver to Board of Directors

RIDGEFIELD, Conn., Nov. 16, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. (NASDAQ:CHEF), a premier distributor of specialty food products in the United States, today announced the appointment of Katherine Oliver to the Company's board of directors, effective November 3, 2015. Ms. Oliver will also serve as a member of the board's nominating and corporate governance committee.

Ms. Oliver brings over 25 years of media and entertainment experience to her appointment. Known for her innovative branding strategies, business development expertise, creativity, and an unparalleled understanding and commitment to customer service, Ms. Oliver looks forward to bringing her unique skillset to the Chefs' Warehouse board. Ms. Oliver is a founding Principal at the global philanthropic consulting firm Bloomberg Associates, which was established by former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg to help improve the lives of citizens in cities around the world. Ms. Oliver oversees the media and technology portfolio, advising mayors and international civic leaders on economic development and public communications strategies and helping them harness the power of media and technology to improve government services. Ms. Oliver also advises a diverse range of corporate, cultural and non-profit organizations, including Bloomberg L.P., on cutting-edge content creation and marketing strategies.

From 2002-2013 Ms. Oliver served under Mayor Bloomberg as New York City's Commissioner of Media & Entertainment. During her tenure, New York's media and entertainment industry saw its strongest growth in history, supporting 130,000 jobs and generating direct spending of \$7.1 billion annually. Prior to her appointment as Commissioner, Ms. Oliver was the General Manager of Bloomberg Radio & Television.

"Katherine Oliver is a highly respected media and entertainment executive whose strategic vision and talent for marketing, management, and business development is widely recognized," said Christopher Pappas, chief executive officer of The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. "We believe she will be an excellent addition to our Board, and I would like to officially welcome her to the team."

"I'm thrilled to join the board of Chefs' Warehouse and to use my experience and expertise to help position the company for continued success," remarked Katherine Oliver.

Ms. Oliver currently sits on a number of non-profit boards including The Paley Center and the Ghetto Film School.

About The Chefs' Warehouse

The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. (http://www.chefswarehouse.com) is a premier distributor of specialty food products in the United States and Canada focused on serving the specific needs of chefs who own and/or operate some of the nation's leading menudriven independent restaurants, fine dining establishments, country clubs, hotels, caterers, culinary schools, bakeries, patisseries, chocolatiers, cruise lines, casinos and specialty food stores. The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. carries and distributes more than 33,700 products to more than 24,500 customer locations throughout the United States and Canada.

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