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### JOHN KING TO BE HONORED FOR HIS CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO HELPING THE HUNGRY AND THE HOMELESS ON LONG ISLAND

September, 2013 – (Holtsville, NY) John King, founder and chief customer officer of J.Kings, a broadline food distributor located in Holtsville, will be honored at the Interfaith Nutrition Network's 2013 luncheon taking place at the Garden City Hotel on Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>.

Since starting J.Kings in 1974, John King has always looked for ways to give back to the local community he serves. What better way for a food company to give back than to work with local soup kitchens and food banks? J.Kings has been an active supporter of INN since 2007 and has participated in fundraising efforts including the INNkeeper's Ball, "A Day of Thanks Giving", Ben's Deli "Olde Time New York" as well as INN's annual luncheon.

INN was established in 1983 when a small group of Long Islanders responded to a newspaper article asking for volunteers to start a soup kitchen in Hempstead. Three months later, INN was formed. From that day, INN has continued to grow, bringing together volunteers from all faiths and backgrounds. Not long after the first INN soup kitchen opened, two guests perished from hypothermia after spending a cold December night alone and outdoors – they were homeless. Working quickly, the volunteers were able to open INN's first shelter within 8 months. Nearly 30 years after its formation, INN continues to grow and serve the hungry and homeless. Since opening its doors, INN has served over 10 million meals and has provided shelter to over 150,000 men, women and children.

When asked about becoming this year's honoree, John King said, "I found out about INN from one of our good customers and I was excited about their mission and wanted to do anything I could to help. With the tough times we're in, more and more people are in need of a hot meal and a place to stay. I'm glad to know that in these tough times there are still organizations like INN that are able to gather the resources to help those in need on Long Island."

If you're interested in learning more about J.Kings and its ongoing commitment to the Long Island community, visit [jkings.com](http://jkings.com). If you're interested in how you can support the Interfaith Nutrition Network, visit [the-inn.org](http://the-inn.org).

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#### About J. Kings Food Service Professionals

*J. Kings Food Service Professionals is a broadline food service distributor headquartered in Holtsville, Long Island. For 39 years, J. Kings has provided the full spectrum of food and business supplies to the restaurant industry in the New York metropolitan area through their state-of-the-art facility on Long Island. The company has been named one of the top 50 independently owned distributors in the country by ID Magazine, and is known for its commitment to the highest quality food products, food safety and customer service.*

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