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There is some exciting news that can finally be shared... effective Friday October 1st at 4 PM the Pub will be expanding into our neighboring location currently occupied by Big Iron Horse Barbeque. For those of you who know your history of our establishment, we've done this before. From 2012-2016 The Annex was an upscale cocktail lounge that was a complimentary departure from our loud, rowdy Pub. The goal with what we are tentatively naming McGonigal's Charhouse is to provide a higher end dining experience that will include barbeque, steaks, seafood, a large selection of bourbons, craft beers, specialty cocktails and more. As a connected companion to the well established Pub, our expanded business should now really offer something for everyone.

We've been quiet about announcing anything until now for a couple major reasons. First and foremost, Big Iron Horse has been open and operating in this location the entire time up through tonight, so out of respect to that business we didn't want to create any hype that would deter from their efforts. Second, it's virtually impossible to effectively change the name and restaurant concept in the same space immediately, as in literally the following day! We will have many expansion pains so we ask that you please bear with us during this transition. It will be a work in progress for several weeks as we adapt, adjust and create the setting that not only compliments the well-known Pub but gives our great Barrington community what they want. We will also be leaning heavily on YOU – our loyal patrons – to give us feedback on what we can do to really “kick it up a notch”.

Our plan is to eventually be open seven days a week, starting at 4 PM on weekdays and 11 AM on weekends. Be sure to keep checking our Facebook page (facebook.com/mcgonigals) and our website (barringtonpub.com) for all the latest news & info

In closing on this message, I would like to recognize my fellow business owner and good friend Scott Hansen, who made the personal decision to retire from Big Iron Horse Barbeque (along with the restaurant industry as a whole) and pursue other endeavors. The McGonigal family and Scott have spent quite a bit of time together discussing options, and we ended up being fortunate enough to put a deal together that is truly beneficial to all. Scott is one of the hardest working and business savvy people I've ever known and it's been my honor being able to learn from him over the years. Whatever Scott chooses to do in life moving forward, I know he'll succeed.

On behalf of my family and all our fantastic staff, THANK YOU for your support and we look forward to seeing all of you here at a bigger and better McGonigal's!

Sincerely,
Bryan McGonigal