

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re:

HRI HOLDING CORP., *et al.*¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 19-12415 (MFW)

(Joint Administration Requested)

Ref. No. 7

**INTERIM ORDER AUTHORIZING THE DEBTORS TO PAY ALL OR A PORTION OF
THE PREPETITION CLAIMS OF CERTAIN CRITICAL VENDORS AND
AUTHORIZING FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO HONOR AND
PROCESS RELATED CHECKS AND TRANSFERS**

Upon the *Motion of the Debtors for Entry of Interim and Final Orders (A) Authorizing the Debtors to Pay All or a Portion of the Prepetition Claims of Certain Critical Vendors and (B) Authorizing Financial Institutions to Honor and Process Related Checks and Transfers (the “Motion”)*;² and upon the First Day Declaration; and the Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware dated February 29, 2012; and the Court having found that is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2) and the Court may enter an order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and the Court

¹ The Debtors in these cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor’s federal tax identification number, are: HRI Holding Corp. (4677), Houlihan’s Restaurants, Inc. (8489), HDJG Corp. (3479), Red Steer, Inc. (2214), Sam Wilson’s/Kansas, Inc. (5739), Darryl’s of St. Louis County, Inc. (7177), Darryl’s of Overland Park, Inc. (3015), Houlihan’s of Ohio, Inc. (6410), HRI O’Fallon, Inc. (4539), Algonquin Houlihan’s Restaurant, L.L.C. (0449), Geneva Houlihan’s Restaurant, L.L.C. (3156), Hanley Station Houlihan’s Restaurant, LLC (4948), Houlihan’s Texas Holdings, Inc. (5485), Houlihan’s Restaurants of Texas, Inc. (4948), JGIL Mill OP LLC (0741), JGIL Millburn, LLC (6071), JGIL Milburn Op LLC (N/A), JGIL, LLC (5485), JGIL Holding Corp. (N/A), JGIL Omaha, LLC (5485), HOP NJ NY, LLC (1106), HOP Farmingdale LLC (7273), HOP Cherry Hill LLC (5012), HOP Paramus LLC (5154), HOP Lawrenceville LLC (5239), HOP Brick LLC (4416), HOP Secaucus LLC (5946), HOP Heights LLC (6017), HOP Bayonne LLC (7185), HOP Fairfield LLC (8068), HOP Ramsey LLC (8657), HOP Bridgewater LLC (1005), HOP Parsippany LLC (1520), HOP Westbury LLC (2352), HOP Weehawken LLC (2571), HOP New Brunswick LLC (2637), HOP Holmdel LLC (2638), HOP Woodbridge LLC (8965), and Houlihan’s of Chesterfield, Inc. (5073). The Debtors’ corporate headquarters and the mailing address is 8700 State Line Road, Suite 100, Leawood, Kansas 66206.

² All capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.



having found that venue of this proceeding and this Motion in this District is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and it appearing that sufficient notice of the Motion has been given; and it appearing that the relief requested by the Motion is in the best interest of the Debtors' estates; and sufficient cause appearing therefor; it is hereby

ORDERED that the Motion is GRANTED on an interim basis as set forth herein; and it is further

ORDERED that the final hearing (the "Final Hearing") on the Motion will be held on December 5, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time). Any objections or responses to entry of a final order on the Motion must be filed on or before 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on December 2, 2019 and served on the following parties: (i) the Office of the United States Trustee, J. Caleb Boggs Federal Building, 844 North King Street, Suite 2207, Wilmington, Delaware 19801 (Attn: Jane M. Leamy, Esq.); (ii) Landis Rath & Cobb LLP, 919 Market Street, Suite 1800, Wilmington, Delaware 19801 (Attn: Kimberly A. Brown, Esq. and Matthew R. Pierce, Esq.), and (iii) counsel to any official committee. In the event no objections to entry of a final order on the Motion are timely received, this Court may enter such final order without need for the Final Hearing; and it is further

ORDERED that the Debtors are authorized, but not required, in their sole discretion, to pay the Critical Vendors in the ordinary course of their business in an amount not to exceed \$1.4 million on an interim basis absent further order of the Court; and it is further

ORDERED that the Debtors will send each Critical Vendor a notice advising them of their status as such highlighting the material terms of this interim order, along with a copy of this interim order; and it is further

ORDERED that as a condition of receiving payment, each Critical Vendor is required to

voluntarily agree in writing to (i) waive its right to file or otherwise assert against the Debtors or their estates, any lien or claim related to any prepetition amounts allegedly owed to the Critical Vendor by the Debtors arising from agreements or other arrangements entered into prior to the Petition Date to the extent of the amounts paid pursuant to this Order and not otherwise disgorged as provided herein, other than filing proofs of claim in the Debtors' cases, (ii) to the extent the Critical Vendor has already obtained or asserted any such lien or claim, take all necessary actions to remove such lien and withdraw such claims, (iii) continue doing business with the Debtors in the ordinary course according to terms no less favorable to the Debtors than those in place prior to the Petition Date, and (iv) if a Creditor Vendor paid pursuant to this Order refuses to continue doing business with the Debtors, then the Debtors may, on notice to the affected Critical Vendor, seek disgorgement of such payments to the Debtors' estates; and it is further

ORDERED that notwithstanding the relief granted in this interim order and any actions taken pursuant to such relief, nothing in this interim order shall be deemed: (a) an admission as to the validity, priority or amount of any particular claim against a Debtor entity; (b) a waiver of the Debtors' or any other party-in-interest's right to dispute any particular claim on any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any particular claim; (d) an implication or admission that any particular claim is of a type specified or defined in this interim order or the Motion; (e) a request or authorization to assume any agreement, contract or lease pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 365; (f) a waiver or limitation of the Debtors' or any other party-in-interest's rights under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law; or (g) a concession by the Debtors or any other party-in-interest that any liens (contractual, common law, statutory, or otherwise) satisfied pursuant to this interim order are valid and the Debtors' and all other parties-in-interest's rights

to contest the extent, validity or perfection or to seek avoidance of all such liens are reserved. Any payment made pursuant to this interim order should not be construed as an admission as to the validity, priority or amount of any particular claim or a waiver of the Debtors' or any other party-in-interest's rights to subsequently dispute such claim; and it is further

ORDERED that all applicable banks and other financial institutions are hereby authorized to receive, process, honor, and pay any and all checks and funds transfers evidencing amounts paid by the Debtors pursuant to the Motion, whether presented or issued prior to or after the Petition Date. Such banks and financial institutions are authorized to rely on the representations of the Debtors as to which checks are issued or authorized to be paid pursuant to this Order; and it is further

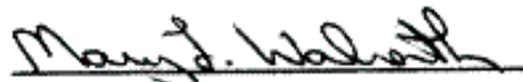
ORDERED that Bankruptcy Rule 6003 is satisfied; and it is further

ORDERED that notwithstanding the applicability of Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h), 7062 and 9014, the term of this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry; and it is further

ORDERED that the Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this order; and it is further

ORDERED that the Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation of this Order.

Dated: November 15th, 2019
Wilmington, Delaware


MARY F. WALRATH
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE