



Darden Restaurants to Present at Barclay's Capital Retail and Restaurants Conference

ORLANDO, Fla., April 27, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Darden Restaurants, Inc., (NYSE: DRI) will be presenting at Barclay's Retail & Restaurants Conference to be held in New York City, New York. There will be an on-line simulcast of the Company's presentation which begins at 8:00 am (Eastern) on Tuesday, April 28, 2009, available at the Company's website, www.darden.com. An audio-only webcast of the Company's presentation will be available over the Internet at http://cc.talkpoint.com/barc002/042809a_rb/?entity=18_P5BOSC4.

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The archived webcast will also be available on the home page of the company's website www.darden.com through May 5, 2009.

Darden Restaurants, Inc., (NYSE: DRI) headquartered in Orlando, Fla., is the world's largest full-service restaurant company with almost \$6.7 billion in annual sales and approximately 180,000 employees. The Company owns and operates over 1,700 restaurants including Red Lobster, Olive Garden, LongHorn Steakhouse, The Capital Grille, Bahama Breeze and Seasons 52. For more information, please visit www.darden.com.

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