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EL POLLO LOCO BRINGS ITS SIGNATURE FRESH AND AUTHENTIC CHICKEN TO SECOND COMPTON LOCATION

Compton, Calif. (May 6, 2014) – Members of the community gathered today at 1751 S. Alameda St. to celebrate the opening of El Pollo Loco's second Compton, Calif. location. CEO Steve Sather led a day of festivities that included sampling of El Pollo Loco's signature citrus-marinated, fire-grilled chicken and fresh side dishes, kitchen tours and a ribbon cutting ceremony. The restaurant officially opened its doors on March 27.

"We are so proud to expand our presence in Compton, which allows us to bring both great-tasting food and rewarding jobs to the local area," said Carlos Esquivel, director of operations, El Pollo Loco. "The Compton community welcomed our first restaurant enthusiastically; with our second location open, we remain dedicated to delivering a delicious dining experience to every guest, every day, while also giving back to this community in meaningful ways."

At 2,756 square feet, this restaurant employs approximately 50 new hires from the local community and is open seven days a week. The hacienda-inspired restaurant feature a large open air kitchen that allows customers to see how El Pollo Loco prepares its signature citrus-marinated, fire-grilled chicken. The restaurant also includes colorful, comfortable booths and large windows to allow natural sunlight into the dining area. Dine-in service is from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and drive-thru service is extended until 11:00 p.m. Catering for special events and celebrations is also available.

About El Pollo Loco

<u>El Pollo Loco</u> is the nation's leading fire-grilled chicken chain which operates more than 400 companyowned and franchised restaurants in Arizona, California, Nevada, Texas and Utah. El Pollo Loco masterfully citrus-marinates and fire-grills chicken and handcraft entrees using fresh ingredients inspired by authentic Mexican recipes. Chicken meals are available in individual, family and catering-sized portions. Some say the lengths we go to create fresh, delicious food are crazy. We say it's Crazy You Can Taste. Visit us on our website at ElPolloLoco.com.

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