

The Original SoupMan Comes to Minneapolis, MN

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Minneapolis resident Michael Barr is opening the latest Original SoupMan restaurant on Tuesday, July 15.

The store will be located in the Downtown Skyway, one of Minneapolis' tallest towers, known for the distinctive "Halo" on its roof, at 225 South Sixth Street. The Original SoupMan features the soups of Al Yeganeh, who inspired the "Soup Episode" on Seinfeld. Since 1984, New Yorkers and tourists alike have waited in line at Yeganeh's Soup Kitchen International, in all kinds of weather, just for a taste of his much-heralded Lobster Bisque, Mulligatawny, and Jambalaya.

During Barr's grand opening ceremony on July 15, one lucky customer will get the chance to win a free cup of soup every day for the rest of their life. The Original SoupMan will also donate \$1,500 on behalf of Yeganeh's charity, "Al's Feed the Hungry Foundation", to Second Harvest Heartland. Al's Feed the Hungry Foundation donates funds to local hunger-relief charities every time a new Original SoupMan location opens. The charity is headed up by Baseball Hall of Fame legend, Reggie Jackson.

Barr's Original SoupMan restaurant will showcase more than 50 of Yeganeh's soup varieties as the "centerpiece of the meal", each presented with a piece of fresh, crusty baguette, a piece of fresh fruit, and a piece of chocolate. Alongside Yeganeh's more than 50 soups will be an extensive line of gourmet salads, sandwiches, wraps, and grilled paninis made exclusively with Boar's Head deli meat and also a local favorite, Sebastian Joe's Homemade Ice Cream.

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