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**POLLO TROPICAL® AWARDED
THE 2011 GOOD TO GREAT AWARD**

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MIAMI, FL - Pollo Tropical® was honored Friday, June 3, at the 2011 Good to Great Awards®, sponsored by the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce. The award, which honors South Florida companies that embody ideals from Jim Collins' best selling business book "Good to Great," was presented at the Chamber's annual Goals Conference, which draws more than 1,500 business and community leaders from South Florida.

Judging for this prestigious award was based on a nominee's ability to demonstrate a pattern of solid-to-great performance over a four-year period. Companies were also asked to demonstrate leadership within management ranks and to speak to their processes for a solid workforce base. This was the second year in a row that Pollo Tropical had been nominated.

"We have great food, convenient service and unparalleled value," said Jim Tunnessen, Chief Operating Officer of Pollo Tropical. "Our dedicated Teams take a lot of pride in what they do - from preparing our fresh ingredients from scratch to serving customers in a friendly and efficient manner. Our Team, at every level, goes that extra mile for the customer."

About Pollo Tropical®

Pollo Tropical® restaurants are known for their fresh, never frozen, open flame grilled chicken, marinated in a proprietary blend of tropical fruit juices and spices, as well as authentic "made from scratch" side dishes. The first Pollo Tropical restaurant opened in 1988 in Miami, Florida. Today, Pollo Tropical has more than 90 company-owned restaurants in Florida, New Jersey and a location opening later this year in Georgia. It also has three franchised locations at Florida universities and 27 franchised restaurants in Puerto Rico, Ecuador, Trinidad & Tobago, Honduras, Venezuela and the Bahamas.

Pollo Tropical is a wholly owned subsidiary of Carrols Restaurant Group, Inc., which, is one of the largest restaurant companies in the United States. The Company operates three restaurant brands in the quick-casual and quick-service restaurant segments with 550 company-owned and operated restaurants in 16 states. Carrols Restaurant Group owns and operates two Hispanic Brand restaurants chains, Pollo Tropical and Taco Cabana. It is also the largest Burger King franchisee, based on number of restaurants, and has operated Burger King restaurants since Taco Cabana as a stand-alone public company, which most likely will be based in Miami. Carrols announced plans earlier this year to spin-off its Pollo Tropical and Taco Cabana brands as a stand-alone public company. The spin-off is anticipated to be completed later this year.

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