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ROBERT IRVINE COMES TO THE RESCUE IN NEW EPISODES OF *RESTAURANT: IMPOSSIBLE*

New Season Premieres Saturday, April 20th at 9pm ET/PT on Food Network

NEW YORK – March 15, 2019 – Robert Irvine returns to help struggling owners turn their failing restaurants around, in a new season of *Restaurant: Impossible*, premiering Saturday, April 20th at 9pm ET/PT on Food Network. Over four one-hour episodes, Robert will use a little outside-the-box thinking with a lot of muscle to rescue these desperate restaurants from complete collapse. With only two days and just \$10,000 for a budget, Robert will attempt to turn the tide and pave the road to success, making the impossible – possible.

“Robert Irvine is renowned for his steely determination and can-do attitude, making him the perfect person to take on these daunting transformations with so much on the line,” said Courtney White, President, Food Network. “*Restaurant: Impossible* features stories of aspiring restaurant owners whose dreams and fortunes hang in the balance, giving viewers a dramatic front seat to the challenges one faces when pursuing your dreams.”

During the season Robert will travel to Escondido, California, where a retro joint called Rosie’s Café is struggling mightily. Rosie’s is disorganized and has lost money every year since it’s been opened; with two days and \$10,000 Robert will have to make major changes, or the passionate owner will have to close the doors for good. Other episodes include the Incredible Café in San Diego, California, where Robert finds a restaurant that is anything but incredible, and the Copper Steer Steakhouse in Safford, Arizona, where a Deputy U.S. Marshall and a judicial assistant followed their dreams to open a restaurant that is now turning into a nightmare as the restaurant is wreaking havoc on the family with no idea on how to turn it around. And finally, in Costa Mesa, California, Robert visits Filomena’s Italian Kitchen and Market, where despite having a clean kitchen and an organized dining room, the owner hasn’t been able to pay herself one dime the entire time the restaurant has been open. Robert figuring out the problem turns out to be only half the battle. During the course of the season Robert is joined by familiar faces, including Tom Bury and Taniya Nayak, along with Luke Caldwell, to help right the ship for these struggling restaurants and their owners.

Visit FoodNetwork.com to learn more about Robert Irvine and the restaurants that he transforms. Follow #RestaurantImpossible to go behind the scenes of the action with Robert.

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