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## **PEANUT LAND EXPRESS OPENS EXPANDED STORE AND CANDY-MAKING OPERATION AT EMPIRE STATE PLAZA**

Office of General Services Commissioner RoAnn Destito today announced that Peanut Land Express has opened a new larger location and added candy-making to the store located on the concourse level of the Empire State Plaza. Peanut Land, a fixture on the concourse since 1978, has expanded from a 400-square-foot storefront to a new space that encompasses more than 1,300 square feet and includes an onsite candy kitchen. The store will continue to be operated by Isabelle and Joseph Giagni.

“The smell of freshly made chocolate will be hard to resist while walking down the concourse,” Commissioner Destito said. “We are thrilled that Peanut Land has chosen to expand their successful operation here at the Plaza.”

Peanut Land will make numerous chocolate creations in dark, milk, and white chocolate. Just a few of the popular home-made items will include turtles, clusters, chocolate dipped fruit, holiday specialties, and chocolate pretzels. Rocky road, a customer favorite combination of popcorn, caramel, chocolate, and cashews, will be freshly made on site. Fresh popcorn will also be popped at the store. In addition to candy, Peanut Land will also offer unique country store items.

“Opening up a candy store became a dream of mine when I was a teenager working for Planters Peanuts,” said Joseph Giagni. “Isabelle and I are excited to be expanding our family businesses here at the Plaza and are looking forward to offering all our loyal customers more of the sweet treats they love.”

The first 150 customers will receive a special chocolate gift.

Store hours will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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