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## **The Boulos Co. leases 2,500 s/f to The Met at Freeport coffeehouse and café**

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Shown are Greg Boulos and Larry Flaherty.

Freeport, ME Greg Boulos of The Boulos Company represented the landlord of 48 Main St. in the retail lease to The Met at Freeport, a breakfast and lunch coffeehouse and café that features the work of local artists. The café opened February 12th.

Co-owners Larry and Diane Flaherty purchased the original Met Coffeehouse in North Conway, N.H. in 2015. They added The Met at Settlers Green, also in North Conway, in 2019. On a trip to Freeport in 2021, the Flaherty's noticed the vacancy at 48 Main and were impressed by the vitality of the town's Main St. The 2,500 s/f space was ideal for The Met.

"It was serendipity that Greg was the broker on this deal," said Larry Flaherty. "I didn't need to sell him on the Met concept—he's a regular customer. We call him 'Mr. Large Earl Gray' in North Conway. He thought bringing The Met to Freeport would be a great addition to the market."

In addition to supporting local artists, The Met is famous for its artistic espresso drinks and organic, fair trade coffees; along with freshly made sandwiches, salads, soups, and desserts, including many vegan and gluten-free options. Additionally, the ever-expanding menu will soon feature a line of superfood smoothie bowls.

"We're really excited to open our first store in Maine," said Flaherty, whose background in food service and commercial development has guided The Met's expansion. "We've received a very warm welcome from local businesses, the Freeport Chamber, and curious passersby. We're hoping to continue our growth in Maine in the future—if we can find more locations as perfect as 48 Main St."

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