

A TURKISH TRADITION RESTORED

The Turkish Delight Restaurant in Weedon Close, Belconnen will reopen this week. The restaurant has been closed since 7 July after a fire in the kitchen refrigerator destroyed the kitchen and severely damaged the entire restaurant.

The fire occurred just weeks after an acclaimed celebration of 30 years bringing Turkish cuisine and culture to Canberra

Owner, Hajar, said **'The heartbreaking fire in July was almost enough to break our spirit but the restaurant has been such an icon for the Turkish community and all Canberrans I just couldn't let it go. I love this place and had so much of me invested in it I had to make sure it resumed its place in the community.'**

'I could not have made it without the kindness of friends and supporters. A special thanks to the workers, my generous landlord, and all of my friends who came to do the heavy and dirty work because they value the restaurant too. .

'I was lifted to get on with this by the constant stream of support given by customers keen to be with us again.

'A large part of the work was the restoration of the Turkish art and bric-a-brac that was such an important part of the atmosphere. While customers will notice the refreshed kitchen and surrounds they will still be able to enjoy their taste of Turkey in the restaurant.

'I am so lucky to have loyal staff and chefs who will be rejoining us.

'At times the job seemed too much but now that it is done I am overjoyed at the prospect of meeting my many loyal customers again. New customers will be welcomed to enjoy the experience as many have in the past.

We are open for business from Wednesday evening and bookings can be made on 62511319 or you can visit my website:

www.turkishdelight.com.au

I will announce a celebration of the re opening in the new year'.

Turkish Delight
Canberra's First Turkish Restaurant

