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PRESS RELEASE

White Lodging Names Corey Pitts as the new Executive Chef at the Residence Inn Courtyard Marriott Downtown Austin

Pitts brings over 8 years of experience to his promotion of executive chef

Merrillville, Ind. (September 17, 2015): White Lodging is pleased to announce Corey Pitts will serve as the new executive chef at the Residence Inn Courtyard Marriott Downtown Austin in Texas.

"I am looking forward to the opportunity to join the Courtyard and Residence Inn Austin Downtown and Champions Sports Bar," said Pitts. "I know there will be tough challenges ahead. I always say "Chase the dream not the competition." I cannot wait to get started on accomplishing some amazing things here!"

Pitts graduated from Schoolcraft College in Livonia, Mich. with a degree in Culinary Arts in 2006. Since then, he has worked as a saute chef, sous chef, garde manger chef, and executive banquet chef. His last position was held at the Music City Center in Nashville, Tenn.

The Residence Inn Courtyard Marriott Downtown Austin is a dual branded hotel, both located in the same building on 4th Street in downtown Austin, Tex. The hotels are located near the State Capitol, the University of Texas, the flagship store of Whole Foods Market, and the trendy Warehouse District. The Courtyard Marriott has also received the 2015 Trip Advisor Award of Excellence, and the Residence Inn is in the Trip Advisor 2015 Hall of Fame. For more information please go to www.marriott.com/austal and www.marriott.com/austal.

White Lodging Services Corporation was established in 1985 and is headquartered in Merrillville, Ind. White Lodging is a fully integrated hotel ownership, development and operations company focused on developing and operating premium-branded hotels in growing urban markets across the United States. The company is a recognized leader that has defined and cultivated the ability to achieve consistent, sustainable growth among mid- to large-scale hotels. Its current portfolio consists of more than 161 hotels in

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