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White Lodging Names Chad Cuddy as Opening General Manager of Hyatt Place Denver/Downtown and Hyatt House Denver/Downtown

The hotels are scheduled to open in the fourth quarter 2015

Merrillville, Ind. (January 27, 2015): White Lodging is pleased to announce Chad Cuddy has been named as opening dual general manager position for the new Hyatt Place Denver/Downtown & Hyatt House Denver/Downtown.

"It's an honor to be chosen to lead the opening and execution of the first ever dual-branded, urban Hyatt Place and Hyatt House hotel project in Colorado," Cuddy said. "I look forward to representing White Lodging and Hyatt with enthusiasm and dedication in this great city of Denver."

Cuddy is a 23-year veteran in the hospitality industry with an extensive background in both sales and operations. He has spent 12 years with White Lodging, most recently as general manager of the Boulder Marriott, where he has been since 2007. During his tenure at the Boulder Marriott, Cuddy and his team earned several recognitions as White Lodging Property of the Year in 2007 and 2010, White Lodging Guest Satisfaction Champions in 2009 and were also the recipients of the Marriott International Service Excellence Leadership Award in 2009.

Cuddy was also awarded the White Lodging Rookie General Manager of the Year in 2007 and White Lodging Full Service General Manager of the Year in 2008. He was also honored in 2007 with the White Lodging Elsa Bruining Award for Excellence in Guest Service.

A graduate of Colorado State University, he earned a degree in Hotel Management from the College of Applied Human Sciences. He started his hospitality career at the Fort Collins Marriott and spent his first 10 years in various positions with Marriott International in Rooms, Food & Beverage leadership and Sales, including two years with the Denver Marriott Event Booking Center as an Account Manager and then Sales Manager for the Denver Marriott's: Denver Tech Center and Denver Southeast as a Sales Manager becoming a Senior Sales Manager at the Renaissance Denver. Cuddy has also held positions as National Sales Manager for the Inverness Hotel & Conference Center in Englewood, Colo. Director of Sales at the Renaissance Broomfield Hotel and Director of Operations at Denver Marriott South, leading both Rooms and Food & Beverage, before his promotion to General Manager at the Boulder Marriott.

About Hyatt Place Denver/Downtown and Hyatt House Denver/Downtown - Construction of the 361-room, 21-story complex began earlier this year and is scheduled to open in late 2015. The 306,000-square-foot building will feature both a 248-room Hyatt Place hotel and 113- room Hyatt House hotel. Each hotel will have its own entrance, lobby, restaurant, and lounge area though hotel guests will share meeting space, a swimming pool, a fitness center, and four levels of above ground parking. The new hotels are located in downtown Denver, just blocks from the Denver Convention Center, the Theater District and several highly trafficked shopping districts.

## **About Hyatt Place**

Launched in 2006, the Hyatt Place brand brings to the upscale service hotel category the authentic hospitality for which Hyatt is known. Inspired by multitasking travelers' 24/7 lifestyle, Hyatt Place hotels combine style with casual hospitality. Featuring spacious guestrooms with the Cozy Corner, Free Wi-Fi everywhere, the 24/7 Gallery Menu, Coffee to Cocktails Bar, and Free Hot Breakfast for guests. The Odds & Ends program also has guests covered with items they may have forgotten and can buy, borrow or enjoy for free. Specially trained Gallery Hosts are on hand to offer assistance with everything from directions to check-in to a freshly made meal.

Hyatt Place, a brand of Hyatt Hotels Corporation, offers more than 200 locations in the United States, Armenia, China, Costa Rica, India, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Netherlands, and United Arab Emirates. For Hyatt Place information or to make a reservation, call 1-888-HYATT-HP (888-492-8847) or visit <a href="https://www.HyattPlace.com">www.HyattPlace.com</a>.

## **About Hyatt House**

Hyatt House, a brand of Hyatt Hotels Corporation, launched in 2012 and offers more than 55 locations throughout the United States. Inspired by extensive research of guest experiences, Hyatt House hotels are designed to welcome residents rather than guests and offer services, amenities, upscale spaces and a casual, comfortable environment that reminds guests of home. Residentially inspired studios, one- and two-bedroom suites feature contemporary full kitchens, living space with flat panel HDTVs and bedrooms with a plush bed. Complimentary Wi-Fi is available throughout the hotel. The Morning Spread, a complimentary full hot breakfast featuring a made-to-order Omelet Bar, is served daily and the H BAR features the Sip+Savor menu and full bar (Evening Social, Monday-Thursday from 5:30-7:00 pm, at select locations in lieu of the H BAR). Public spaces include a 24-hour Workout Room, House Market and laundry facilities. A friendly House Host is available to checkin guests, provide directions or help with other needs to help guests feel at home.

To learn more about Hyatt House or to book a reservation, visit <u>www.hyatthouse.com</u> or call 866-XS-HYATT (866-974-9288).

White Lodging Services Corporation was established in 1985 and is headquartered in Merillville, 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 162 hotels in 21 states and encompasses representation of the following leading brands: Marriott International, Inc., Hilton Worldwide, Hyatt Global, Starwood Hotels and Resorts, Preferred Hotel Group and InterContinental Hotel Group.