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RENAISSANCE DALLAS HOTEL UNVEILS MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR RENOVATION – LATEST ADDITION IN BRAND’S GLOBAL MAKEOVER

DALLAS, Texas. May 20, 2008 -- The Renaissance Dallas Hotel, a stylish elliptical landmark dominating the Dallas Market Center district, is nearing completion of a multi-million dollar guest room renovation. The iconic hotel’s 514 new guest rooms will dramatically redefine the elegance of the city’s business epicenter, which has long been anchored by the striking pink granite property. Several floors of freshly-renovated guest rooms are already in use, with the full room and corridor renovation to be complete within eight weeks.



“What Thomas Point Ventures has done with The Renaissance Dallas Hotel is a big win for the city of Dallas and our Renaissance brand,” said Rita Cuddihy, senior vice president, Renaissance Hotels & Resorts. “These are exciting times for Renaissance and our guests who are discovering new designs, cutting-edge guest rooms, great local restaurants and lounges, and some very fun and creative signature cocktails. We have more than 140 properties worldwide, so there is plenty for travelers and locals to experience and enjoy.”

The Renaissance Dallas Hotel’s renovation is part of a \$2 billion global investment by the brand’s owners and franchisees (2006 - 2008). This global makeover has included the \$24 million renovation of The Renaissance Times Square Hotel, the \$25.2 million renovation of the Renaissance M Street Hotel in Washington D.C., and the \$128 million historic restoration of the The Blackstone, a Renaissance Hotel in Chicago.

The fashionable 30-story property was purchased in 2006 by Thomas Point Ventures, L.P., which is led by CEO John W. Marriott III. Thomas Point Ventures, L.P. has committed to renovating all guest rooms, restaurants, bar and will add over 20,000 square feet of new meeting space and a world class rooftop garden, contained in a new facility which is being developed to achieve LEEDS certification for its environmentally responsible design. For more information, log on to www.dallaslandmark.com.

The Renaissance Dallas Hotel is an ideal location just steps from the Dallas Market Center and within a five-minute drive of downtown Dallas, American Airlines Center, the Dallas Convention Center and Dallas Love Field Airport. Born in a modern urban vision some 30 years ago, the reinvented Renaissance Dallas takes style to the next level with its new guest rooms. Featuring a contemporary color palette of warm golds and reds alongside rich black granite countertops, travertine entry and bathroom floors and upgraded, residential-style bathroom cabinetry, the rooms raise the bar on hotel bedding comfort and sophistication. Opulently-sheeted luxury duvets provide a Revive™ sleep experience where crisp, clean linens and bed coverings have never touched a prior guest, and thick mattresses are enhanced by plush, comfortable toppers.

Each room's 37-inch flat-panel high-definition television features picture-in-picture capability allowing wired guests to read e-mails on-screen while also watching TV. An electronic Connectivity Panel enables guests' laptops, iPods, cameras and X-Box components to connect to the HDTV, while a sleek individual hot beverage system permits guests to enjoy a single cup of freshly-made coffee or tea without having to employ a large, previously-used carafe. A working refrigerator, security safe with power jack, contemporary opaque-glass desktop, luxurious upholstered sofa and high-speed Internet access are complemented by the rooms' stellar views of Dallas.

The exclusive Renaissance Club Level and lounge, located on the hotel's renovated 27th floor, will open later this year and will accommodate the hotels Club and/or suite guests for complimentary breakfast, hors d'oeuvres and evening cocktails.

The *renaissance* of the Dallas landmark hotel will then continue through two additional phases, beginning with a dramatic rebirth of the dining and welcome experience scheduled for completion in summer, 2009. This phase will feature a redesign of the hotel's sweeping lobby and the unveiling of a vibrant new open-kitchen restaurant led by award-winning Executive Chef Frank Quant. With signature fresh regional cuisine and the flavorful "Dallas grille" artistry of Chef Quant, the restaurant will offer freshwater fish, certified Angus beef and organically-grown side selections indigenous to Texas and as featured in Quant's appearances on television and in specialty cookbooks. A new rooftop oasis, including a beautiful garden and putting green will also provide a sweeping outdoor view of the Dallas skyline, creating new evening energy center for visitors and locals alike.

The hotel's final renovation phase will increase and enhance its meeting capabilities, providing for a total 50,000 square-feet of upscale meeting and event space. Additions will include a soaring, 16,000-square-foot Grand

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Ballroom with rotating glass panels that allow for outdoor access and alfresco cocktails. The contemporary new ballroom structure is designed to qualify for LEEDS silver status, signaling the hotel's consistent focus on sustainability and environmental responsibility throughout the renovation process. With the meeting space renovation phase scheduled for 2010 completion, the Renaissance Dallas Hotel's current 17 meeting rooms and 19,000 square-feet of flexible function space will remain open throughout the construction.

The Renaissance Dallas is located adjacent to the Dallas Market Center complex at 2222 Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, TX 75207. For hotel information, please visit www.renaissancehotels.com or call (214) 632-2222.

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