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KIMPTON BRINGS “SWEET TAX RELIEF” *Nearly 50 Hotels Nationwide Offer Smart Savings With Sweet Rewards*

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., March 3, 2010 – Starting April 1, Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants will offer a much-needed break from hotel and restaurant taxes with “**Sweet Tax Relief**” from coast-to-coast. All Kimpton hotels and participating restaurants throughout the U.S. will rid guests of hotel and restaurant taxes and sweeten the deal with candy bar bonuses when travelers book the “Sweet Tax Relief” package in advance, for stays throughout the month of April.

“Sweet Tax Relief” package components include:

- Deluxe overnight accommodations
- Kimpton will pay your room tax
- Kimpton will pay the tax on a meal at one of Kimpton’s locally flavored, chef-driven restaurants, located adjacent to most Kimpton hotels*
- Sweet rewards with treats such as “Payday,” “100 Grand” and “Sugar Daddy” candy bars
- Late check out, when available, so you can enjoy your tax-free accommodations to their fullest

“Tax season can be a stressful time of year and this fun promotion is a great way for travelers to save a few dollars on the road and enjoy some sweet treats,” said Niki Leondakis, chief operating officer at Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants.

The “Sweet Tax Relief” package is available from April 1–30, 2010 at most Kimpton hotels.

Package rates start at \$139 per night, are based on availability and vary by market.

Reservations can be made at www.KimptonHotels.com by entering **PTAX** in the rate code box, or by calling 1-800-KIMPTON and requesting the “Sweet Tax Relief” package.

*Valid at participating Kimpton Restaurants from April 1–30, 2010 as part of the “Sweet Tax Relief” package. Gratuity is not included. Additional taxes and fees may apply. Voucher issued at check-in. Must present voucher to server at time of seating. Not valid at the following restaurants: Sable Kitchen & Bar, Chicago, IL; Café de la Presse, San Francisco, CA; Ozumo, San Francisco, CA; Bistro Bis, Washington, DC; and restaurants in the Eventi Hotel and Ink48 Hotel, New York City.

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San Francisco-based Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants, a collection of boutique hotels and chef-driven restaurants in the US, is an acknowledged industry pioneer and was the first to bring the boutique hotel concept to America. Founded in 1981 by Bill Kimpton, the company is well-known for making travelers feel welcomed and comfortable while away from home through intuitive and unscripted customer care, stylish ambience and having a certain playfulness in its approach to programs and amenities. Each hotel provides a range of exciting culinary experiences through locally-loved, top-rated, destination, chef-driven restaurants. Kimpton leads the hospitality industry in ecological practices through its innovative EarthCare program that spans all hotels and restaurants. Privately held Kimpton has consistently earned high customer satisfaction scores by the Market Metrix Hospitality Index, exceeding other hotel companies including those in luxury and upscale segments. Among the company’s newest properties are the LEED registered Hotel Palomar and LEED registered Square 1682 restaurant by Chef Guillermo Tellez in Philadelphia, PA, which opened in October 2009. Currently, projects are underway in New York City and Chicago. For more information, please visit www.KimptonHotels.com or call 1-800-KIMPTON.