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KIMPTON JUMPS TO THE HEAD OF THE CLASS

WITH NEW “TIME OUT FOR TEACHERS” RATE

Nationwide Overnight Rates Starting at \$75 Per Night Deserve an A+

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., April 20, 2009 – Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants is inviting teachers across the country to head from the classroom to the guestroom with “Time Out For Teachers” rates of \$75 and \$125 per night. Teachers can leave the chalkboard behind and retreat to a Kimpton hotel to take advantage of special freebies offered through Kimpton’s Summer Playground, such as complimentary sangria, bites and games at wine hour and ice cream in lobbies. Teachers can book the “Time Out For Teachers” rate for travel from May 29 – September 7, 2009.

“Come summer, teachers deserve a break and this affordable escape allows them to take advantage of a special rate just for them and join in the Kimpton fun,” said Niki Leondakis, chief operating officer at Kimpton.

“Time Out For Teachers” reservations can be made at KimptonHotels.com by entering **TOT** in the rate code box, or by calling 1-800-KIMPTON and requesting the “Time Out For Teachers” rate. Promotion rates are \$75 per night at most hotels, and \$125 per night at hotels in New York and Florida.

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Kimpton's "Time Out For Teachers" rate is subject to availability and is valid for travel from May 29 - September 7, 2009 for stays on Thursday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday nights, with a maximum three night stay. Additional taxes, fees, restrictions and black out dates may apply. Rates are based on single/double occupancy. Must show valid teacher, coach or administrator identification at check-in to qualify. Kimpton reserves the right to cancel reservations booked with erroneous room rates.

For more information and a complete list of participating Kimpton hotels, visit www.KimptonHotels.com or call 1(800)-KIMPTON.

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ABOUT KIMPTON

San Francisco-based Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants, a collection of boutique hotels and chef-driven restaurants in the US and Canada, 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 affiliated, top-rated, destination chef-driven restaurants. Kimpton leads the hospitality industry in ecological practices through its innovative EarthCare programs that span all hotels and restaurants. Privately held Kimpton has consistently earned the highest ranking customer satisfaction scores by the Market Metrix Hospitality Index, exceeding all other hotel companies including those in luxury and upscale segments. Among the company's newest properties are Lorien Hotel & Spa and restaurants BRABO by Robert Wiedmaier and BRABO Tasting Room in Alexandria, VA, which opened in February 2009. Currently, projects are underway in New York City, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Baltimore and Chicago. For more information, please visit www.KimptonHotels.com or call 1-800-KIMPTON.