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Kimpton Offers 2nd Annual Summer of Pride *There's More to Celebrate with Same-sex Weddings in California*

San Francisco, May 29, 2008 – Through Labor Day weekend, Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants will be celebrating a summer full of LGBT events and celebrations with their 2nd Annual Summer of Pride. The annual promotion encourages everyone to celebrate LGBT pride weekends, film festivals, fundraisers and street parties across North America by offering the Summer of Pride discounted rate Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights at Kimpton hotels in 15 cities across North America. By using the rate code PRD, Kimpton offers 10-20% off the Best Available Rate when booking on www.kimptonhotels.com/lgbt or at 1-800-KIMPTON.

Kimpton's weekend Summer of Pride rate is available in Alexandria, Arlington, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, New York, Portland, Salt Lake City, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Scottsdale, Seattle, Silicon Valley and Washington D.C.

Kimpton's California hotels will join those in Massachusetts and British Columbia in offering same-sex wedding ceremonies. Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants offers the perfect settings for weddings, commitment ceremonies, receptions and honeymoon weekends. Kimpton has a long history of supporting the LGBT community and are excited to be able to assist our gay and lesbian guests with their wedding ceremonies. Same-sex commitment ceremonies are available in all our hotels across North America.

Kimpton was the first hospitality company to score a 100% on the Human Rights Campaign's Corporate Equality Index back in 2004, and has secured that perfect score every year since then. In 2008, Kimpton became the only company where all hotels were members of the International Gay & Lesbian Travel Association (IGLTA) and all hotels are TAG Approved, the largest directory of gay friendly hotels and resorts. Additionally, on May 1, 2008, at the IGLTA Convention in Las Vegas, Kimpton won the PlanetOut 2008 Hotel Group of the Year award.

"Kimpton is proud to be supportive of the LGBT community," said Alan Baer, senior vice president of human resources and co-chair of the Kimpton Gay & Lesbian Employee Network (KGLN). "As a company we are very involved in the community sponsoring organizations like

PFLAG, the Mautner Project and GALA Choruses Festival 2008. We are throwing fundraising events for LGBT and HIV organizations coast to coast. Last year we helped raise more than \$100,000 for these nonprofits.”

For a complete list of Kimpton hotels offering specialty Summer of Pride discounts, please visit www.KimptonHotels.com or call 1-800-KIMPTON.

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ABOUT KIMPTON

San Francisco-based Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants is the first and leading collection of boutique hotels, throughout the United States and Canada. Founded in 1981 by Bill Kimpton, every Kimpton hotel features personalized guest services, comforting in-room amenities, specialty rooms and suites, and provides a range of exciting culinary experiences through affiliated top-rated destination chef-driven restaurants. Kimpton takes pride in its commitment to social responsibility and leads the hospitality industry in ecological practices through its innovative EarthCare programs. Privately held, Kimpton received the highest ranking in customer satisfaction by the Market Metrix Hospitality Index for the entire year of 2007, exceeding all others in the upscale hotel segment. Among the company's newest properties is the Hotel Monaco Alexandria and Jackson 20 restaurant in Virginia, which opened in January 2008. Additional projects are underway in Los Angeles, New York, Florida, Philadelphia and Virginia. For more information, please visit www.KimptonHotels.com or call 1-800-KIMPTON.