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Press Release

Indianapolis Marriott Downtown Named a Gold Key Award Winner by Meetings & Conventions Magazine

Hotel wins prestigious award for the third consecutive year

Merrillville, Ind. (Nov. 2, 2012): White Lodging Services is pleased to announce that the Indianapolis Marriott Downtown was named a Gold Key Award winner by *Meeting & Conventions* magazine for the third year in a row. The hotel was one of 152 other domestic and international hotels and resorts named as 2012 Gold Key Award winners.

"I am so proud of our entire staff here at the hotel, because each of them contributed to the Indianapolis Marriott Downtown winning this prestigious award for three consecutive years," said General Manager Phil Ray. "It is a great accomplishment for our hotel, and our associates should all be proud of themselves."

The Gold Key Award recognizes hotels around the world that provide an exceptional meeting or convention experience for guests. Winners were nominated and selected by the readers of *Meeting & Conventions*, who based their votes on strict industry criteria including attitude of the staff, meeting room quality, guest service quality, food and beverage service, proficiency of handling reservations, availability of technical/support equipment, and range of recreational facilities.

"With 40,000 square feet of event space and 622 guest rooms and suites, we pride ourselves on providing an excellent experience for groups of all sizes in Indianapolis," Ray said. "One of our largest groups came with Super Bowl XLVI as we hosted the New York Giants and their fans here in the city we love. It has been a great year."

White Lodging Services Corporation - was established in 1985 and is headquartered in Merrillville, Ind. White Lodging is a fully integrated hotel ownership, development and operations company – a recognized leader that has defined and cultivated the ability to achieve consistent, sustainable growth among mid-to large-scale hotels across the country. Its current portfolio consists of more than 159 hotels in 20 states and encompasses representation of the

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