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MARRIOTT TO OPEN SPRINGHILL SUITES HOTEL IN HOUSTON, TEXAS

Bethesda, Maryland – December 16, 2009 – Marriott International, Inc. (*NYSE:MAR*; <http://www.marriott.com>) is scheduled to open the 156-suite SpringHill Suites by Marriott in Houston, Texas this month. Located at 15840 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, the SpringHill Suites Houston Intercontinental Airport will operate as a Marriott franchise, owned and managed by Concord Hospitality Enterprises of Raleigh, North Carolina.

Located less than one mile from the Houston Intercontinental Airport, the hotel offers guests convenient access to downtown Houston, the World Houston Business Park, the Woodlands shopping district and the Deerbrook and Kingwood areas. Rates begin at \$109 per night on Friday and Saturday and \$169 per night on Sunday thru Thursday.

“We’re delighted that the SpringHill Suites Houston Intercontinental Airport is the latest addition to our growing number of properties across the U.S.,” said Tim Sheldon, executive vice president, brand management, Marriott International. “This is a hotel for business and leisure travelers who want affordable lodging with the freedom of spacious accommodations and the comforts of home-like amenities, such as mini-refrigerators and microwave ovens.”

The SpringHill Suites Houston Intercontinental Airport offers a complimentary breakfast buffet, business services, free weekday USA TODAY, same-day dry cleaning, guest laundry facilities, a heated outdoor swimming pool, exercise room, complimentary airport shuttle and express checkout. Suite ConvenienceSM, an express “grab and go” food service, is also available. The hotel also features the Escape lounge serving dinner nightly and an outdoor patio with soothing water features.

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Guest suites in SpringHill Suites hotels are up to 25 percent larger than traditional hotel rooms and feature separate areas for sleeping, working/eating and relaxing. All suites are non-smoking and suites equipped for guests with disabilities also are an option. In-room amenities include a pantry with mini-refrigerator, microwave, a 37" flat-screen LCD television, luxury bedding, coffee service and complimentary high-speed Internet access. For maximum guest comfort, a pullout sofa bed and lounge chair with ottoman are available. Suites also feature a spacious bathroom with separate vanity, hair dryer, iron and ironing board.

Business travelers can take advantage of a large, well-lit desk with ergonomic chair, two phone lines with data port and voice mail. Free local phone calls with a second phone in the bedroom also are available. The hotel also offers two meeting rooms with a total of 1,300 square feet of meeting space to accommodate small meetings and functions for up to 80 people.

SpringHill Suites by Marriott is an all-suite, select-service hotel brand that appeals to both business and leisure travelers. Launched in November 1998, the brand currently has over 200 locations in the United States and Canada. SpringHill Suites participates in the company's award-winning Marriott Rewards® frequent guest program. Members earn their choice of points toward free vacations or frequent flyer mileage for dollars spent at more than 3,100 Marriott hotels worldwide.

For more information or reservations, call the SpringHill Suites Houston Intercontinental Airport hotel directly at 281-442-2275, call the SpringHill Suites toll-free number at 888-287-9400, contact a travel agent or visit the web site at www.SpringHillSuitesHoustonAirport.com.

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