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The White House Historical Association Partners with Historic Hotels of America

Members of the Association to Receive Discounts on Accommodations at Historic Hotels of America Hotels, Resorts, and Inns

November 26, 2018 (Washington, D.C.) – The White House Historical Association has partnered with Historic Hotels of America®, an official program of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, to provide benefits for members of both organizations. Members of the White House Historical Association will receive up to 30% off best available rates when booking with HistoricHotels.org. Members of Historic Hotels of America will receive a discount on the 2018 Official White House Christmas Ornament from the White House Historical Association.

"This opportunity will allow our members greater access to presidential history, and a chance to experience historic sites across America where Presidents including John F. Kennedy, Ronald Reagan, and Ulysses S. Grant have stayed before them," said Stewart McLaurin, President of the White House Historical Association. "The partnership furthers our mission of enhancing the education and understanding of the executive mansion by preserving White House related history."

Historic Hotels of America operates 300 historic properties across the country including hotels, resorts and inns.

"Many legendary historic hotels have hosted U.S. Presidents celebrating special occasions, campaigning, or vacationing with their families," said Lawrence Horwitz, Executive Director, Historic Hotels of America and Historic Hotels Worldwide. "Guests can stay in the same hotels where U.S. Presidents have stayed, dine in the same restaurants where U.S. Presidents and their families have dined, and in many cases play on the same golf or tennis courts where U.S. Presidents have played. We are proud to partner with The White House Historical Association and help its mission to preserve and share the Executive Mansion's legacy for future generations."

Hotels such as The Willard InterContinental in Washington, D.C. and the Omni William Penn Hotel in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania have hosted nearly every president. The Omni Parker House in Boston, Massachusetts is where John F. Kennedy

proposed to the future First Lady, Jacqueline Kennedy. In 1879, the Palmer House, A Hilton Hotel in Chicago, Illinois, was the site of one of the most fabled dinners in history, a banquet in honor of the return of former President Ulysses S. Grant from a trip around the world. Richard and Patricia Nixon were married at the Mission Inn Hotel & Spa in Riverside, California. Ronald and Nancy Reagan spent their honeymoon at the Mission Inn. The Fairmont San Francisco, known as the "White House of the West" has hosted nearly every U.S. president since William Taft.

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About Historic Hotels of America

Historic Hotels of America is the official program of the National Trust for Historic Preservation for recognizing and celebrating the finest Historic Hotels. Historic Hotels of America was founded in 1989 by the National Trust for Historic Preservation with 32 charter members. Today, Historic Hotels of America has more than 300 historic hotels. These historic hotels have all faithfully maintained their authenticity, sense of place, and architectural integrity in the United States of America, including 46 states, the District of Columbia, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico. Historic Hotels of America is comprised of mostly independently owned and operated historic hotels. More than 30 of the world's finest hospitality brands, chains, and collections are represented in Historic Hotels of America. To be nominated and selected for membership into this prestigious program, a hotel must be at least 50 years old; has been designated by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior as a National Historic Landmark or listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places; and recognized as having historic significance.

About The White House Historical Association

First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy envisioned a restored White House that conveyed a sense of history through its decorative and fine arts. In 1961, the White House Historical Association was established to support her vision to preserve and share the Executive Mansion's legacy for generations to come. Supported entirely by private resources, the Association's mission is to assist in the preservation of the state and public rooms, fund acquisitions for the White House permanent collection, and educate the public on the history of the White House. Since its founding, the White House Historical Association has contributed more than \$47 million in fulfillment of its mission. To learn more about the White House Historical Association, please visitwww.whitehousehistory.org.

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