

□ **CHICAGO (October 1, 2009)** – Hyatt Hotels Corporation has announced the appointment of John Burlingame to the newly created position of global head - residential development. In this role, Burlingame is responsible for residential components of development transactions worldwide and reports to Steve Haggerty, global head of real estate and development.

“We are delighted to have John in this role,” said Haggerty. “John’s leadership and experience will be valuable in Hyatt’s drive to become the preferred brand for developers and guests around the world.”

Most recently, Burlingame served as executive vice president of Hyatt Vacation Ownership, Inc., which he played a key role in founding. Burlingame joined Hyatt in 1982 and during his tenure with the company has held positions in development, market planning and research, and was also responsible for pursuing new development opportunities for Hyatt. Burlingame graduated with a bachelor’s degree in hotel administration from Cornell University and also holds a Master of Business Administration in finance from University of Chicago.

Hyatt has appointed Ed Crovo senior vice president, HVOI, replacing Burlingame. Crovo is responsible for timeshare and fractional operations in North America. In addition, he provides oversight and consistency for the branded residential portion of mixed-use projects. Crovo reports to Chuck Floyd, chief operating officer, North America operations, Hyatt Hotels Corporation.

Prior to joining HVOI, Crovo spent over 28 years with Hyatt Hotels & Resorts in a variety of capacities, including positions as general manager at Hyatt Regency Maui, Hyatt Regency Waikiki, Hyatt Regency Waikoloa, Hyatt Regency Hilton Head, Hyatt Regency Miami and the Hyatt Des Moines. Crovo has also held various management positions in numerous hotels within the Hyatt system. Crovo holds a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration with a concentration in hotel and restaurant administration from Florida State University.

About Hyatt Vacation Club

Hyatt Vacation Club provides members with vacation ownership opportunities in regionally inspired and designed residential-style properties with the quality of the Hyatt brand. Members have the flexibility of usage, exchange and rental. Hyatt Vacation Club members can choose to occupy their home resort, exchange their time among 15 Hyatt Vacation and Residence Clubs, trade their week for Gold Passport points and travel within the Hyatt system, or exchange their time at properties participating within Interval International, a third party company with over 2,200 resorts in their exchange network worldwide.

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About Hyatt Hotels Corporation

Hyatt Hotels Corporation, headquartered in Chicago, is a leading global hospitality company with a proud heritage of making guests feel more than welcome. Thousands of members of the Hyatt family in 45 countries strive to make a difference in the lives of the guests they encounter every day by providing authentic hospitality. The company’s subsidiaries manage, franchise, own and develop hotels and resorts under the **Hyatt®**, **Park Hyatt®**, **Andaz™**, **Grand Hyatt®**, **Hyatt Regency®**, **Hyatt Place®** and **Hyatt Summerfield Suites™** brand names and have locations under development on five continents. **Hyatt Vacation Ownership, Inc.**, a **Hyatt Hotels Corporation** subsidiary, develops and operates vacation ownership properties under the **Hyatt Vacation Club®** brand. As of June 30, 2009, the company’s worldwide portfolio consisted of 413 properties. For more information, please visit www.hyatt.com.

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