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ROBERT UTZ NAMED GENERAL MANAGER OF THE HILTON GARDEN INN BILLINGS

BILLINGS, MT – April 29, 2009 – Robert Utz has been appointed General Manager of the Hilton Garden Inn Billings in Billings, MT. Utz most recently served as General Manager of Hilton Garden Inn in Yakima, WA.

A 27-year hospitality veteran and native of Washington, Utz began his career with Bellevue Hilton and Ramada Inn Bellevue in various hotel positions. From there, Utz pursued his career in hotel upper management with Wyndham Garden Hotels, Wilmington Hilton Hotel, Westcoast Hotels, Holiday Inn Hotel in Everett, Wash. and Stone Church in Yakima, Wash.

Utz attended Northwest College in Kirkland, Wash., and is an AH&LA certified hotel administrator and has completed general manager, hospitality management and sales and service training for Hilton Hotels Corporation, Wyndham Hotels and Resorts and Holiday Inn Hotels and Resorts.

“This is a great opportunity to use my management experience and serve the guests of the Hilton Garden Inn Billings. We offer the finest venue for all banquets, social functions and corporate meetings,” stated Utz. “We have a terrific product that is excellent for business travelers, meeting planners and brides-to-be. Ownership and management have a clear focus to serve the community of Billings with a passion unparalleled by in the industry, and I am proud to be an integral part of this team.”

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The 128-room Hilton Garden Inn Billings (including eight suites) is conveniently located at 2465 Grant Road in Billings' rapidly growing commercial and retail district. All rooms include high-definition television and complimentary wireless high-speed internet.

Hotel facilities include 4,000 feet of flexible meeting space, including meeting rooms, a boardroom and a 2,400 square-foot ballroom that is able to be divided into three rooms. The hotel features an exercise facility with Precor Commercial equipment, a complimentary 24-hour business center and an indoor pool. The Great American Grill ® serves full cooked-to-order or a la carte breakfast.

Hilton Hotels Corporation is recognized as the pre-eminent hospitality company. The company develops, owns, manages or franchises approximately 2,000 hotels, resorts and vacation ownership properties. Its portfolio includes many of the worlds best-known and most highly regarded hotel brands, including Hilton®, Conrad™, Doubletree®, Embassy Suites Hotels®, Hampton Inn®, Hampton Inn & Suites®, Harrison Conference Centers®, Hilton Garden Inn®, Hilton Grand Vacations Company®, Homewood Suites® by Hilton and Red Lion Hotels & Inns®.

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For more information on the Hilton Garden Inn Billings, please call 406.655.8800.

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