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**NEW EPIC HOTEL OFFERS INSPIRED MEETING AND EVENT SPACE
IN VIBRANT DOWNTOWN MIAMI**

*Kimpton's New Cosmopolitan Hotel Offers Eight Meeting Rooms,
Wrap-Around Pool Deck, and Private Marina, Providing Groups with a Welcome Escape*

MIAMI – EPIC, downtown Miami's newest lifestyle, boutique waterfront hotel, offers more than 11,000 square feet of inspiring indoor meeting space, along with a wrap-around pool deck, private marina, and EPIC waterfront lawn for functions and events. Managed by Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants, EPIC provides business travelers and groups with high-touch, customer care and stylized spaces to create memorable and productive meetings.

Ideal for small meetings and gatherings, EPIC offers personal and intimate meeting space, as well as Kimpton's visionary service, creative amenities and attention to detail, to provide successful events at the hotel.

Situated at a distinct waterfront location – at the edge of the Miami River and Biscayne Bay – EPIC combines the timeless style of a cosmopolitan boutique hotel with the amenities of a resort to create a sophisticated oasis amidst the energy and pulse of the city. EPIC is surrounded by first-class dining, shopping, nightlife, entertainment, and the city's finest museums and attractions – all within easy reach. The hotel is also in close proximity to Miami Beach and is just five miles from the Miami Beach Convention Center, and seven miles from Miami International Airport.

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“EPIC is designed to serve as a compelling escape for business travelers and groups, combining the comfort and confidence of a Kimpton, with a sophistication that can only be defined as Miami-inspired,” said Eric Jellson, area director of sales and marketing at EPIC. “Our goal is to provide planners and their delegates with endless possibilities to achieve their meeting goals, while embracing each group and their individual needs so that we may positively impact their stay, their meeting experience, and each participant on a personal level.”

EPIC’s indoor meeting space and facilities are all conveniently located on the 14th floor, and include eight flexible meeting rooms that can accommodate a range of groups, a 24-hour business center with printing capabilities, and a 1,734-square-foot pre-function foyer with an outdoor terrace that can hold receptions for up to 150 in size. The Metropolis Ballroom, offering 4,187 square feet for events up to 300 guests, is divisible in half with floor-to-ceiling windows providing glimmering views of the bay during the day and the glittering city skyline at night.

Both the Sanctum and Gotham rooms, which range in size from 1,562 to 1,880 square feet and are divisible in half, can accommodate 150-175 guests. The 617-square-foot Baxter meeting room features an outdoor terrace, while the Parker meeting room offers 1,154 square feet of space and accommodates up to 120 guests. In addition, EPIC features two state-of-the-art executive boardrooms with high-tech capabilities and amenities, providing an ideal setting for executive and client meetings, and audio conferences and videoconferences. The Wayne Boardroom and Xavier Boardroom, each measuring 380 square feet and accommodating up to 10, are equipped with the latest audio and visual capabilities, LCD flat-panel monitors, projections and screens, sound and lighting systems, and WiFi accessibility.

Additional amenities for meeting and events include a private wrap-around pool deck on the 16th floor, offering 13,752 square feet of space that can be used for meeting break-out sessions, receptions and events. EPIC also provides planners with the EPIC Lawn, an expansive waterfront lawn area ideal for special events, team building sessions and weddings, as well as a private marina that offers charter departures directly from the hotel and is available for unconventional and one-of-a-kind yacht parties, receptions and events.

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As an added incentive for meeting planners, EPIC offers the newly re-vamped *Pick-Your-Perks* meeting program offered by Kimpton, which gives planners new ways to customize meetings with creative perks and incentives. Through the *Pick-Your-Perks* program, all groups receive 15 percent off the best available rate; 5 percent off the master account folio charges and creative meeting concept consultation. Planners also select two of the following options: 50 percent off meeting room rental; 20 percent off audio/visual equipment; two VIP guestroom upgrades; welcome amenities for up to five VIP guests; complimentary weekend stay for future use; or the option to re-book another meeting and receive 20 percent off the best available rate (which must be used from January through March 2009). Planners also receive a perk in the form of an American Express gift card based on the total combined group revenue, or the option to donate the value of the card to their favorite charity.

In addition to *Pick-Your-Perks* for meetings, guests also have access to best loved Kimpton offerings and amenities such as complimentary WiFi as a Kimpton In Touch member, complimentary organic or shade grown morning coffee and tea in the living room lobby, and complimentary Hosted Evening Wine Hour.

EPIC offers 411 spacious rooms and suites artfully designed with custom furnishings and fine fabrics, and all feature private balconies that provide views of the city and bay. Rooms offer a wide range of amenities to provide a relaxing and indulgent experience, including fine Italian linens with luxurious triple sheeting and throw blankets, LCD flat screen televisions, iPod docking stations, and spa-inspired luxury bath amenities – with many of the guestrooms offering hydrotherapy air bath tubs. Other hotel offerings include Area 31 restaurant, offering premium seafood with a Mediterranean influence; a waterfront lounge; and a full-service spa and fitness center operated by Exhale.

EPIC is located at 270 Biscayne Blvd Way. For more information or reservations, please call (866) 760-3742 or (305) 424-5226 or visit www.epichotel.com.

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ABOUT EPIC

A member of the award-winning San Francisco-based Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants, EPIC is located at the edge of the Miami River and Biscayne Bay, and combines the style of a cosmopolitan boutique hotel with the amenities of a resort to create a sophisticated oasis for guests amidst the energy and pulse of Miami. The hotel's 411 rooms and suites are artfully designed by Cheryl Rowley, with furnishings that convey an understated sense of cool, and all feature private balconies that provide inspiring views of the city and bay. Hotel offerings include a 13,752-square-foot wrap-around pool deck with private cabanas; Area 31 restaurant, offering premium seafood with a Mediterranean influence; a spa and fitness center operated by Exhale; a waterfront lounge; 11,000 square feet of indoor meeting and event space; and a private marina.

ABOUT KIMPTON

San Francisco-based Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants, a collection of boutique hotels and chef-driven restaurants in the US and Canada, is an acknowledged industry pioneer and was the first to bring the boutique hotel concept to America. Founded in 1981 by Bill Kimpton, the company is well-known for making travelers feel welcomed and comfortable while away from home through intuitive and unscripted customer care, stylish ambience and having a certain playfulness in its approach to programs and amenities. Each hotel provides a range of exciting culinary experiences through affiliated, top-rated, destination chef-driven restaurants. Kimpton leads the hospitality industry in ecological practices through its innovative EarthCare programs that span all hotels and restaurants. Privately held Kimpton has consistently earned the highest ranking customer satisfaction scores by the Market Metrix Hospitality Index, exceeding all other hotel companies including those in luxury and upscale segments. Among the company's newest properties are Lorien Hotel & Spa and restaurants BRABO by Robert Wiedmaier and BRABO Tasting Room in Alexandria, VA, which opened in February 2009. Currently, projects are underway in New York City, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Baltimore and Chicago. For more information, please visit www.KimptonHotels.com or call 1-800-KIMPTON.