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## RESIDENCE INN ARLINGTON CAPITAL VIEW HOTEL AWARDED LEED® GOLD CERTIFICATION

Newest Arlington eco-friendly hotel near Washington DC receives award from premier Environmental Design group.

Arlington, VA (April 4, 2012) -- The <u>Residence Inn Arlington Capital View hotel</u> announced today that it has been awarded a Gold certification by the U.S. Green Building Council for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) and verified by the Green Building Certification Institute (GBCI). LEED® is the nation's preeminent program for the design,



construction and operation of high performance green buildings. This Arlington, Virginia extended stay hotel's LEED® Gold certification is shared with the adjoining property, Renaissance Arlington Capital View.

"We are proud of this outstanding achievement in being recognized as an environmental leader," said Jerry Caliguire, General Manager of Residence Inn Arlington Capital View Hotel. "On our one year anniversary this is not only a present for us, but for the environment and the Arlington community."

"It is gratifying to earn LEED® Gold designation for this beautiful, high-profile property," said Eileen Nacev, Director of Sustainability at The JBG Companies. "Developing and building Residence Inn Arlington Capital View fits with our corporate philosophy that creating green and sustainable properties is good

for the environment, good for business and enriches the community, too."

"With each new LEED-certified building, we get one step closer to USGBC's vision of a sustainable built

environment within a generation," said Rick Fedrizzi, President, CEO & Founding Chair, U.S. Green Building Council. "As the newest member of the LEED family of green buildings, Residence Inn Arlington Capital View is an important addition to the growing strength of the green building movement."

LEED® Gold certification of this <u>eco-friendly</u>, <u>extended stay hotel in Arlington</u>, <u>Virginia</u> was based on a number of green design and construction features that positively impact the project itself and the broader community. Some of these features include:

- Heat island reduction with green roof
- More than 26% of building made of postconsumer recycled material
- Guest bike program
- Indoor air quality
- Energy efficient glass



- Optimization energy performance
- Landscaping water usage reduced by 50%
- Ozone protection with chlorine-free refrigerant

- On-site carbon dioxide monitoring
- Energy efficient lighting
- Recyclable storage and collection
- Use of low-emitting materials

Residence Inn Arlington Capital View joins Marriott International's portfolio of 90 properties that are registered or certified LEED. Building on more than 20 years of energy conservation experience, Marriott International is committed to protecting the environment. The company's Spirit To Preserve® environmental strategy calls for: greening its multi-billion supply chain; further reducing energy and water consumption by 20 percent per available room by 2020; empowering its hotel development partners to build green hotels; educating and inspiring employees and guests to support the environment; and addressing environmental challenges through innovative initiatives including rainforest protection and water conservation. For more information, visit Marriott Green Hotels.

The U.S. Green Building Council is the nation's foremost coalition of leaders from across the building industry working to promote buildings that are environmentally responsible, profitable and healthy places to live and work. The LEED Green Building Rating System™ is a voluntary, consensus-based national standard for developing high-performance, sustainable buildings. Members of the U.S. Green Building Council representing all segments of the building industry developed LEED and continue to contribute to its evolution. For more information, visit www.usgbc.org.

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