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TWO SAN ANTONIO RIVERWALK HOTELS HAVE KEYS TO SUCCESSFUL MEETING PLANNING
International magazine Meetings & Conventions bestows highest honor upon Marriott Rivercenter, Riverwalk

San Antonio, TX – An international magazine targeting 50,000 event planners has named two San Antonio Riverwalk hotels among the world's finest meeting properties.

The <u>San Antonio Marriott Rivercenter</u> and <u>San Antonio Marriott Riverwalk</u> have each earned a 2012 Gold Key Award from Meetings & Conventions magazine. Readers of M&C were the nominators and judges for the prestigious honor given to 146 domestic and 17 international hotels and resorts this year. Properties including the San Antonio, TX, hotels were judged on staff attitude, quality of



meeting rooms, quality of guest services, food and beverage service, proficiency of handling reservations, availability of technical and support equipment and range of recreational facilities.

"As you can see from the criteria, this is truly a team effort for the entire hotel," said Julia Turcotte, director of event management and a certified meeting planner for Marriott. "Congratulations to the sales, event and culinary teams for their spirit to serve and commitment to providing warm heart authentic culture to all of our group customers."

The San Antonio Marriott Rivercenter has now won the award 20 times. The 1000-



room hotel features 63 meeting rooms with 60,000 square feet of flexible meeting space. Its largest meeting room, the <u>Grand Ballroom</u>, has 41,600 square feet that can seat up to 6,400 people. A newly renovated foyer with ample room for pre- or post-function activities welcomes convention goers, as do back-lit reader boards strategically placed throughout the floor. Amenities throughout all meeting spaces include state-of-the-art audio and visual equipment, exceptional event menus, certified meeting coordinators and full-service tech support so that all presentations are engaging and successful.

One of the grandest structures in San Antonio, the Marriott Rivercenter also was recently included in Cvent's top 100 list of meeting hotels in the United States. The largest event management software company in the country honored the San Antonio meeting space for its combination of luxury, privacy, service and amenities.

The San Antonio Marriott Riverwalk has been a <u>Meetings & Conventions</u> Gold Key recipient 14 times. The 512-room facility boasts 15 meeting rooms with 14,976 square feet of flexible meeting space. Its <u>Alamo Ballroom</u> is the largest meeting room with 9,800 square feet for 1,100 attendees and

features state-of-the-art audio and visual equipment. Convention rooms all have wireless Internet access, sophisticated and elegant décor and provide breathtaking views of the famous river walk.

About the San Antonio Marriott Rivercenter

The San Antonio Marriott Rivercenter on the San Antonio Riverwalk features 38 floors with recently renovated rooms and suites. The hotel is connected to Rivercenter Mall and is near the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center. The facility includes an onsite restaurant serving Latin- and Spanish-infused cuisine, Starbucks, a state-of-the-art fitness center and an indoor/outdoor pool. For information, visit www.marriott.com/SATRC.

About the San Antonio Marriott Riverwalk

The San Antonio Marriott Riverwalk sports 30 floors with a recently renovated lobby. The hotel is across the street from the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center. The facility includes an onsite restaurant serving Tex-Mex cuisine, Starbucks, a state-of-the-art fitness center and an indoor/outdoor pool. For information, visit www.marriott.com/SATDT.