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**HOMEWOOD SUITES BY HILTON® HOTEL NAMES GENERAL MANAGER  
OF NEW FRISCO HOTEL**

FRISCO, Tx., December 10, 2007 – Homewood Suites by Hilton® today announced that Vlad Gritsman has been appointed General Manager of the new Homewood Suites by Hilton® hotel located at 3240 Parkwood Boulevard. The 117-suite hotel, currently under construction, is scheduled to open in late December 2007. This hotel is owned and managed by locally based Magnolia Lodging LLC.

As General Manager, Gritsman will direct all areas of the hotel's operations, including guest services, sales and marketing efforts and hotel administration.

“Based on Vlad's outstanding record in hotel management, we are confident that he will be instrumental in ensuring the success of this new Homewood Suites by Hilton® hotel,” said Michael Buta, Vice President of Operations for Magnolia Lodging. “Vlad will be a strong asset to this new property as we gear up for its opening.”

Prior to joining the Homewood Suites by Hilton®, Dallas/Frisco, Gritsman has had previous experience working with the Homewood Suites by Hilton® brand. Gritsman's educational background includes training at the New York Food & Hotel Management School.

When completed, the new Homewood Suites by Hilton® Frisco will provide guests with a full complement of services and amenities including artwork from local Texas artisans, a private landscaped courtyard with a sparkling free form pool and heated spa, outdoor fitness area and a spacious indoor fitness facility equipped by Precor®.

Launched in 1989, Homewood Suites by Hilton® today has more than 210 hotels open with another 125 in the pipeline. Beyond its spacious two-room suites and home-like amenities, Homewood Suites' guests can take advantage of the hotel's on-site Suite Shop® convenience store, exercise facility, and guest laundry. Guests can also enjoy a daily complimentary Suite Start® hot breakfast and weekday evening Welcome Home® reception in the hotel's Lodge. Additional guest services include a complimentary grocery shopping service† and a complete business center. Most Homewood Suites locations also feature a swimming pool and outdoor sports court.

## **HOMEWOOD SUITES BY HILTON®, FRISCO NAMES GM**

To make reservations at a Homewood Suites by Hilton® hotel, travelers can call 1-800-CALL-HOME® or visit the Homewood Suites Web site at [homewoodsuites.com](http://homewoodsuites.com). Homewood Suites is a member of the Hilton HHonors® guest reward program that allows its members to DoubleDip® by simultaneously accumulating both airline miles and hotel points with each qualifying stay.

Hilton Hotels Corporation is the leading global hospitality company, with more than 2,800 hotels and 480,000 rooms in 76 countries and territories, including 100,000 team members worldwide.

The company owns, manages or franchises a hotel portfolio of some of the best known and highly regarded brands, including Hilton®, Conrad® Hotels & Resorts, Doubletree®, Embassy Suites Hotels®, Hampton Inn®, Hampton Inn & Suites®, Hilton Garden Inn®, Hilton Grand Vacations™, Homewood Suites by Hilton® and The Waldorf=Astoria Collection®.

Based in Carrollton, Tx., Magnolia Lodging develops, builds and manages a variety of award-winning, nationally recognized hotels under the Hilton and Marriott brands. Magnolia Lodging's upscale hotels provide exceptional service and accommodations for travelers to the North Dallas and Houston areas. For additional information, please visit the company's website at [www.magnolialodging.com](http://www.magnolialodging.com).

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