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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**AMIE THOMPSON NAMED DIRECTOR OF SALES FOR NEW  
HILTON GARDEN INN<sup>®</sup> DALLAS/RICHARDSON HOTEL**

Carrollton, Texas., April 14, 2008 – Magnolia Lodging, LLC today announced that Amie Thompson has been appointed as Director of Sales of the new Hilton Garden Inn<sup>®</sup> Dallas/Richardson hotel scheduled to open in Summer 2008. The new 125-room hotel is owned and managed by locally based Magnolia Lodging and located at 1001 W. President George Bush Turnpike.

Thompson is currently the Director of Sales at the Homewood Suites by Hilton<sup>®</sup> in Plano and will add the Hilton Garden Inn Dallas/Richardson to her hotel career portfolio. She possesses several years of sales experience within the hospitality industry as well as an extensive knowledge of the surrounding areas.

“We feel that Amie is a valuable asset to the growth of our company and to the Hilton Garden Inn Dallas/Richardson hotel. Based on her exceptional record in sales and customer service we feel that she will be influential in ensuring the success of Richardson’s newest hotel,” said Michael Buta, Vice President of Operations for Magnolia Lodging.

When completed, the new Hilton Garden Inn Dallas/Richardson will provide guests with a full complement of services and amenities to include more than 3,000 square feet of meeting space, complimentary high speed internet access, remote printing to the hotel’s 24-hour executive business center, the Garden Sleep System<sup>®</sup> bed, Mirra<sup>®</sup> ergonomic chair by Herman Miller, HD flat screen televisions, an indoor swimming pool and whirlpool, a full-service restaurant and bar and an onsite guest laundry facility.

Hilton Garden Inn is part of Hilton Hotels Corporation; recognized internationally as a preeminent hospitality company. The company develops, owns, manages or franchises more than 2,900 hotels, resorts and vacation ownership properties. Its portfolio includes many of the world's best known and most highly regarded hotel brands, including Hilton<sup>®</sup>, Conrad<sup>®</sup>, Doubletree<sup>®</sup>, Embassy Suites Hotels<sup>®</sup>, Hampton Inn<sup>®</sup>,

Hampton Inn & Suites<sup>®</sup>, Hilton Garden Inn<sup>®</sup>, Hilton Grand Vacations<sup>®</sup> Homewood Suites by Hilton<sup>®</sup>, and The Waldorf-Astoria Collection<sup>®</sup>. For more information about Hilton Garden Inn locations, visit [HGI.com](http://HGI.com).

Based in Carrollton, Tx., Magnolia Lodging LLC 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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