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## **HOMEWOOD SUITES BY HILTON RECEIVES RECOGNITION AS BEST EXTENDED STAY HOTEL BY MARKET METRIX**

### ***Homewood Suites by Hilton® Receive To Brand Ranking in their Segment***

**HOUSTON, TX November 29, 2004** – The Hilton Family of Hotels has received another award when it was recognized for having the Best Extended Stay Hotel with its Homewood Suites brand. Market Metrix is one of the leading providers of market research for the hospitality industry. They just announced that Homewood Suites by Hilton is the recipient of Best Extended Stay Hotel in their Hospitality Index for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2004.

The Homewood Suites by Hilton Austin Arboretum, located at 10925 Stonelake Blvd. in Austin, Texas, and the Homewood Suites by Hilton Charlotte Douglas Airport, located at 2770 Yorkmont in Charlotte, North Carolina, backs their quality with an unconditional 100% Satisfaction Guarantee, which means if a guest is not completely satisfied with their stay, that night's stay is free. Vista Host manages both the Homewood Suites by Hilton Austin Arboretum and the Homewood Suites by Hilton Charlotte Douglas Airport.

“With the combination of the popular Hilton HHonors® guest reward program, and our award winning guest satisfaction, the reputation for delivering excellent value to our guests is transforming the extended stay market,” commented Cindi Obermeyer, General Manager of the Homewood Suites by Hilton Charlotte Douglas Airport.

Gaylen Howard, Area Sales Director for the Homewood Suites Austin Arboretum commented, “With each award that we receive for brand performance it helps us to increase our local business base by adding credibility to the extended stay segment.”

### **About Hilton Family of Hotels**

The Hilton Family of Hotels implements several quality assurance programs, including substantial investment in consumer research annually. The research includes proprietary tracking studies such as Satisfaction and Loyalty Tracking and numerous custom research projects to maximize understanding of consumer trends in total hotel quality and customer satisfaction. Hilton Hotels Corporation is recognized internationally as a preeminent hospitality company. The company develops, owns, manages or franchises more than 2,100 hotels, resorts and vacation ownership properties.

## **About Vista Host**

Founded in 1977 by Michael Harrell, Vista Host is a nationally recognized management company committed to achieving superior results in operating hotels from their ability to blend the science of hotel management with the art of hospitality. The Houston based hotel management company serves owners of Hampton Inn, Hampton Inn and Suites, Holiday Inn Express, Fairfield Inn and Suites, Residence Inn by Marriott, Hawthorn Suites, Homewood Suites, AmeriSuites, Comfort Suites, and other established hotels. To learn more about Vista Host and their other managed limited feature properties, visit [www.vistahost.com](http://www.vistahost.com).

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