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## **JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort & Spa Announces Pre-Opening Sales Office and Appointment of Veteran Sales Team**

(SAN ANTONIO, TX) — Ready to showcase all the JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort & Spa will offer guests, groups and conventions, a veteran sales team from Marriott properties across the nation have converged in San Antonio. Mike Witt, Emily Moothart and Darlene Wood will lead JW Marriott's pre-opening sales and marketing team. The office is located at 1717 North Loop 1604 East, Suite 310.

### **Mike Witt – Director of Sales**

Mike will lead the sales team as director of group sales for the JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort & Spa. He joined Marriott in 1997 and has held the position of director of group sales at the Albuquerque Marriott, Dallas Marriott Quorum and San Antonio Marriott Rivercenter/Riverwalk. Mike is a graduate of Southwest Texas State University with a BBA in Marketing.

### **Emily Moothart – Senior Account Executive**

Emily will work in the Washington DC market as a senior account executive representing the Resort for the East Coast corporate and association markets. She began her Marriott career in 1989 as a sales coordinator with the Residence Inn Atlanta Midtown. She quickly moved up within Residence Inns in Atlanta and St. Louis before taking on the director of sales reigns at the Residence Inn Atlanta Buckhead. Later, she held various sales positions at the Tampa Airport Marriott, Tampa Waterside Marriott Hotel and the Portland Marriott Downtown. In 2002, Emily moved to the Denver Marriott City Center to specialize in the Washington DC Association market.

### **Darlene Wood – Senior Account Executive**

Darlene will work in the Chicago area as a senior account executive representing the Resort in the Midwest. Her 20-year career with Marriott began in the company's Chicago national sales office. Steadily progressing up the company ranks, she became the director of the National Catering & Videoconferencing office (now known as EventCom) in 1992. Before joining the pre-opening sales team for JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country

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Resort & Spa, Darlene worked remote in Chicago for the JW Marriott Starr Pass Resort & Spa as well as the Southwestern Resort team and successfully placed programs into Camelback Inn, Mountain Shadows, McDowell Mountains & the Scottsdale Renaissance.

“With a sales team of this caliber in place, great things are expected and we look forward to an exciting opening in 2010,” said Mike Kass, Director of Sales and Marketing for JW Marriott.

The 1,002-room JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort & Spa will open in March 2010. The Resort’s numerous amenities will include two 18-hole Tournament Players Clubs (TPC) golf courses designed by two of the most respected forces in the golf industry, Pete Dye and Greg Norman.

The Resort will also feature more than 140,000 square feet of customizable indoor space, three distinctive outdoor spaces and a 26,000 square foot rejuvenation spa offering 30 treatment rooms. Restaurants, boutique shopping and water features that combine a 650 foot rapid river ride, slides and an 1,100 foot long lazy river with children’s and adult’s pools, and whirlpools are also among the resort’s other highlights.

Additional information on the Resort can be found at: [www.jwsanantonio.com](http://www.jwsanantonio.com)