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KIMPTON HOTEL MONACO BALTIMORE INNER HARBOR NAMES HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY VETERAN AS GENERAL MANAGER AND ADDS TO SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

BALTIMORE – <u>Kimpton Hotel Monaco Baltimore Inner Harbor</u>, an award-winning 202-room luxury boutique hotel in the heart of downtown Baltimore, announced today the appointment of Mikhail Shamkin to general manager and the promotion of Lindsey Meagher to director of sales and marketing. The hotel, which opened in 2009 as the first luxury boutique hotel in Baltimore, is introducing the new senior leadership team as it celebrates its 10th anniversary.

Shamkin brings 30 years of resort and hospitality experience with a deep understanding of the industry to his new role as general manager, where he will be responsible for leading property-wide operations while building on the hotel's unique position in the market as a property rich with history. Most recently, Shamkin was general manager of Laurel Point Resort in Gatlinburg, Tennessee where he assisted with its rebuilding and repositioning following major wildfire damage. Prior to that, he spent the majority of his early career in the Caribbean introducing properties like The Ritz-Carlton, St. Thomas to the market and assisting in the growth of the esteemed Bitter End Yacht Club Resort in the British Virgin Islands.

Meagher has been with the Kimpton Hotel Monaco Baltimore since April 2018 and brings more than a decade of sales and marketing experience in the Baltimore area to her new role. She has a proven track record of exceeding annual sales goals and building strong relationships with new and existing clients as well as the surrounding community. She is a certified Baltimore tourism ambassador – with one of her main focuses being that guests have a positive experience both inside and outside of the hotel. In this leadership role, Meagher will supervise all sales and marketing activities, including leading the hotel's dedicated sales team and providing strategic planning for all group and leisure sales, revenue, digital marketing, advertising and public relations efforts. She will also oversee the hotel's 10,000 square feet of newly refinished space with cuisine from adjacent award-winning restaurant, B&O American Brasserie.

Meagher holds a bachelor's degree in hospitality management from Stratford University and Shamkin holds a bachelor's degree in marketing from C. W. Post College in New York as well as having served as a licensed U.S. Coast Guard Captain.

Kimpton Hotel Monaco Baltimore Inner Harbor is housed in the former Baltimore & Ohio Railroad headquarters, one of the most significant buildings in Baltimore, and features 202 luxurious guestrooms and suites as well as more than 10,000 square feet of meeting, wedding and event space. The one-of-a-kind historic hotel artfully blends historic architectural elements like its original Tiffany stained glass windows and twin marble staircases with a bold, sophisticated and contemporary style. Paired with Kimpton's signature modern amenities like plush bathrobes, daily wine hours, pet-friendly accommodations and more, the hotel continues to deliver the unique experience that is signature to Kimpton properties.

ABOUT KIMPTON HOTEL MONACO BALTIMORE INNER HARBOR

Located in the heart of the bustling Baltimore business district, Kimpton Hotel Monaco Baltimore Inner Harbor artfully blends historic architectural elements with a bold, sophisticated and contemporary style. Originally the site of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Headquarters, the distinctive hotel features 202 luxurious rooms and suites with upscale amenities and acclaimed restaurant, B&O American Brasserie, that create the perfect oasis for leisure and business travelers alike. The elegant boutique hotel is located at 2 North Charles Street, just a short walk from the picturesque Inner Harbor and Baltimore Convention Center. For more information, visit <u>www.monaco-baltimore.com</u>, call 443-692-6170 or follow on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/hotelmonaco.baltimore</u> or Instagram at <u>@MonacoBaltimore</u>.

ABOUT KIMPTON HOTELS & RESTAURANTS

San Francisco-based Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants is the original boutique hotel company, which pioneered the concept of unique, distinctive, design-forward hotels in the United States in 1981. Anchored in one-of-a-kind experiences, Kimpton now operates more than 60 hotels and 80 restaurants, bars and lounges across urban locations, resort destinations and up-and-coming markets in the United States, Canada, Europe, Caribbean and Greater China. Kimpton spaces and experiences center on its guests, offering inspiring design that evokes curiosity to forward-thinking flavors that feed the soul. Every detail is thoughtfully curated and artfully delivered, so that guest experiences remain meaningful, unscripted and ridiculously personal.

Kimpton's employees, empowered to provide heartfelt service and experiences, have built a highly regarded workplace culture that appears consistently on FORTUNE magazine's "100 Best Companies to Work For" list. As a result, Kimpton has been awarded, "Highest in Guest Satisfaction Among Upper Upscale Hotel Chains" by J.D. Power three times.

In January 2015, Kimpton became part of the InterContinental Hotels Group (IHG) family of hotel brands. For more information, visit <u>www.KimptonHotels.com</u>.