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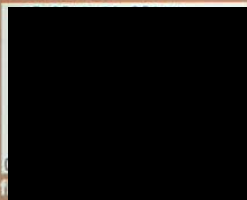
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PETER KACHERIS

Managing Director, Waldorf Astoria, Orlando
The announcement of the Waldorf Astoria's opening in Orlando signals a new direction for Central Florida's hospitality industry. Peter Kacheris's timing couldn't be better. Kacheris, who is the managing director for both the Waldorf and the Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek, brings with him three decades of service in hospitality and enough experience to tackle any obstacle. Overseeing the final phase of construction of the first ever Waldorf Astoria outside of New York City as well as the 1,000-room Hilton, Kacheris has his well-equipped hands full. The properties are set to share an 18-hole Rees Jones-designed championship golf course as well as a Guerlain spa. Kacheris, who has worked in the Orlando area since his position as GM of the Orlando World Center Marriot in 2006, brings his wide knowledge of Central Florida as well as long cultivated relationships in the area to the job. In 2008, he was honored with the "Hotelier of the Year" Award by the Central Florida Hotel and Lodging Association. He has also served on the board of directors of the Orlando Convention and Visitors Bureau.