

COAST HOTELS EXPANDS PORTFOLIO WITH HILLTOP INN

West Coast hospitality brand continues "refreshingly local" growth by acquiring familyowned hotel in Pullman, Wash.

SEATTLE, Wash. (November 16, 2018) – Today, Coast Hotels announced that Coast Hilltop Inn (formerly the Hilltop Inn) is the latest addition to join its collection of distinctive West Coast properties. Situated in the heart of Pullman, Wash., the hotel has been a staple of Eastern Washington hospitality for over 40 years, boasting panoramic views of Pullman, Washington State University and the Palouse.

"Coast Hilltop Inn is a great addition to our expanding collection of refreshingly local hotels, and we are looking forward to working with owners Ron and Barb Wachter to share Coast Hotel's commitment to exceptional guest service," said John Mathews, Regional Director of Operations at Coast Hotels USA. "We're honored to have a larger presence in Eastern Washington and are fully embracing the hometown feel of the property."

The Wachters moved to Pullman in 1963; in 1979, they acquired the Hilltop Motel & Restaurant, which was built in the 1950s. They have made guests feel welcome with their hometown hospitality ever since. In 1995, the motel's bungalows were torn down and a new 59-room hotel was built next to the existing Hilltop Restaurant, which was reimagined in 2012. In 2013, the Wachter family celebrated the grand opening of a new 54-room addition.

Coast Hilltop Inn features 115 rooms that come complete with a mini fridge, a microwave, an ironing board and iron, a dresser and a luggage rack. The new wing comes with flat-screen HD TVs and a selection of cable channels. In addition, the property boasts a heated indoor swimming pool, a spa, pet-friendly accommodations, a complimentary hot breakfast buffet, gym access to nearby Anytime Fitness, an airport shuttle, free wireless high-speed internet, guest laundry and an office station.

The property offers 2,659 square feet of meeting space, which includes a projector, screen, HDMI cord, audio system and microphone, for any technology needs, as well as a portable whiteboard and easel. The Coast Hilltop restaurant and lounge features American cuisine by Chef Alan Wood, as well as scenic views of Pullman. The hotel also offers all-you-can-eat barbeque catering by Pullman's original Porky's Pit BBQ.

"We are pleased that our family-owned hotel is now joining the larger Coast Hotels family," said Barb Wachter. "In addition to our great rooms, fine restaurant and catering services, we are excited to now offer an incredible array of rewards including room upgrades and the Alaska mileage plan for free travel. We look forward to continuing to serve our guests under the Coast Hotels brand."

"I am very excited to be a part of the Hilltop family. Since my first day here, I have felt nothing but welcomed by the staff, the Wachters and the long-time guests," said Erin Wilson, General Manager at Coast Hilltop Inn. "The passion and family love that the community has here for Pullman is something I will be proud to call my home. I can't wait to bring the Coast vibe to Pullman!"

For more information or to book a stay, please visit <u>www.coasthotels.com</u>. To connect with Coast Hilltop Inn online, please "like" the hotel's Facebook page at

<u>www.facebook.com/hotelonthehill/</u>. As a result of joining the Coast Hotels family, Coast Hilltop Inn will now offer the <u>Coast Rewards program</u>, which offers an array of benefits that guests can redeem their membership points for – including upgrades, free stays, entertainment options, gift cards, airline mileage and a tone more.

Coast Hotels has 10 additional US-based properties in Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon and Washington, with each hotel known for its unique personality, prime location and popular amenities.

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ABOUT COAST HOTELS

Coast Hotels has owned, managed and franchised a unique collection of distinctive West Coast properties in the United States and Canada for more than 40 years. Known for providing a seamless blend of comfort, first-rate service and exceptional value, Coast properties continually surprise and delight guests with consistently friendly accommodations and a style and personality all their own. Coast Hotels are always conveniently located, affording both leisure and business travelers easy access to restaurants, theaters, local sightseeing attractions and major airports. Current US properties are located in Alaska, Washington, Oregon, California and Hawaii. For more information, please visit our website at <u>www.coasthotels.com</u>. If you would like to stay in touch with Coast Hotels, please "like" us on Facebook at <u>Coast Hotels USA</u> or "follow" us on Twitter at <u>@CoastHotelsUSA</u>.

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