## Wyndham Worldwide Receives MBA Orlando "Corporate Ally of the Year" Award Wednesday, August 26, 2015 06:42:00 PM (GMT)

ORLANDO, Fla., Aug. 26, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- <u>Wyndham Worldwide</u>, (NYSE: WYN), one of the world's largest hospitality companies, has been recognized with the "Corporate Ally of the Year" award at <u>Metropolitan Business Association (MBA)</u> Orlando's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Pride in Business Awards Gala on Saturday, August 22, 2015. Each year, MBA Orlando — Central Florida's LGBT Chamber of Commerce — celebrates LGBT and allied businesses and community leaders who promote diversity and business equality and go above and beyond for the LGBT community.

"Diversity and inclusion are at the core of our Wyndham Worldwide culture, and it is an honor to receive this award from MBA Orlando," said Sarah King, executive vice president of human resources at Wyndham Vacation Ownership (WVO). "At Wyndham, we fully engage our diverse group of associates and leverage our differences to enhance our business, creating an atmosphere of mutual respect and appreciation. Our associates are also extremely passionate about giving back to our local communities — whether it's by fundraising or volunteering their time — and we are proud to support philanthropic organizations through community partnerships."

With more than 700 members in Central Florida, Wyndham Vacation Ownership's associate business group for associates in the LGBT community and their straight allies, WYNPride, provides associates with a forum to share their insight with each other and leadership. In 2014, WYNPride members held various events benefiting the local community, including raising money for the AIDS Walk Orlando and volunteering at the <a href="Zebra Coalition">Zebra Coalition</a>, a network of organizations that provide services to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and all youth (LGBT+) ages 13-24. The Coalition assists young people facing homelessness, bullying, physical, sexual and drug abuse, and isolation from their families with individualized programs to guide them to recovery and stability.

In addition, Wyndham Worldwide has received a perfect 100-percent score three years in a row on the Human Rights Campaign's annual Corporate Equality Index (CEI) and recognized as one of the "Best Places to Work for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LBGT) Equality." Wyndham Worldwide was also recently recognized among the DiversityInc. Top 50 Companies for Diversity for the third year in a row.

## **About Wyndham Worldwide**

One of the world's largest hospitality companies, Wyndham Worldwide (NYSE: WYN) provides a wide range of hospitality services and products through its global portfolio of world-renowned brands. The world's largest hotel company based on the number of properties, Wyndham Hotel Group is home to many of the world's best-known hotel brands, with approximately 7,700 franchised hotels and over 668,500 hotel rooms worldwide. Wyndham Exchange & Rentals is the worldwide leader in vacation exchange and the world's largest professionally managed vacation rentals business, providing more than 5 million leisure-bound families annually with access to approximately 110,000 vacation properties in over 100 countries through its prominent exchange and vacation rental brands. The industry and timeshare ownership market leader, Wyndham Vacation Ownership develops, markets, and sells vacation ownership interests and provides consumer financing to owners through its network of over 210 vacation ownership resorts serving approximately 901,000 owners throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, and the South Pacific. Based in Parsippany, NJ, Wyndham Worldwide employs over 34,000 associates globally.

For more information, please visit www.wyndhamworldwide.com

## **About Wyndham Vacation Ownership**

<u>Wyndham Vacation Ownership</u>, a member of Wyndham Worldwide's (NYSE: WYN) family of companies, is the world's largest vacation ownership business, as measured by the number of vacation ownership resorts, individual vacation ownership units and owners of vacation ownership interests. Wyndham Vacation Ownership develops, markets and sells vacation ownership interests and provides consumer financing to owners through its seven primary consumer brands, CLUB WYNDHAM<sup>®</sup>, WorldMark<sup>®</sup> by Wyndham, CLUB WYNDHAM ASIA<sup>®</sup>. WorldMark South Pacific Club by Wyndham, Shell Vacations Club, Margaritaville

Vacation Club<sup>®</sup> by Wyndham and WYNDHAM CLUB BRASIL<sup>SM</sup>. As of December 31, 2014, we have developed or acquired more than 200 vacation ownership resorts in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean and the South Pacific that represent approximately 24,000 individual vacation ownership units and more than 900,000 owners of vacation ownership interests. Wyndham Vacation Ownership is headquartered in Orlando, Fla., and is supported by more than 17,000 associates globally.

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