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**SCANDINAVIAN HERITAGE ASSOCIATION RECEIVES GRANT
FROM CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION**

(MINOT, ND– February 14, 2007) The Scandinavian Heritage Association today announced it has received a grant of \$5,000.00 from the Choice Hotels International Foundation, a tax-exempt entity established by Choice Hotels International, Inc. (NYSE:CHH), one of the world's largest lodging franchisors.

“The grant given by the Choice Hotels International Foundation will enable Scandinavian Heritage Association to complete our Plaza Scandinavia project in Scandinavian Heritage Park”, said Mark Anderson, president of Scandinavian Heritage Association. “This actual map representation of the Scandinavian countries, with its position at the entrance to the park, is a reception and disembarkation area for visitors and also serves as an educational tool for visitors to the park.”

“This grant will provide Scandinavian Heritage Association with much needed support and enable the organization to carry out its philanthropic goals,” said Chuck

Ledsinger, president and chief executive officers of Choice Hotels. “We hope by our example to encourage other organizations and individuals to follow suit.”

The Choice Hotels International Foundation, a tax-exempt entity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, was established in November 1999 by Choice Hotels International to aid non-for-profit charitable and educational organizations.

The Choice Hotels Foundation is charged with targeting and coordinating Choice’s financial support for groups that 1) provide shelter and food to those in need; 2) promote the growth and development of tourism; 3) support the educational efforts of schools, workforce entry organizations and the hospitality industry; and 4) enhance the quality of life in local communities where Choice Hotels International has a presence.

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