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**MILLENNIUM HOTEL MINNEAPOLIS REOPENS AFTER
EXTENSIVE RENOVATION**
*Property's \$22 Million Investment Offers New Amenities and Enhanced Guest
Experience*



MINNEAPOLIS (June 10, 2013) - [Millennium Hotel Minneapolis](#), an iconic landmark in downtown Minneapolis for the past 50 years, has re-opened after more than \$22 million in extensive renovations throughout the property. The hotel, which had a soft opening in April, closed in December 2012 to undergo a complete transformation.

The hotel has been remodeled from top to bottom including all 321 guest rooms and public spaces. Guest rooms now offer a modern, relaxed and refined look with upgraded technology and amenities. In addition, there is now a club floor and lounge allowing guests to conduct business in a private setting. A new food & beverage concept, North 45° restaurant and bar features local craft beers and regionally influenced cuisine. Throughout the hotel's 22,000 square feet of function space, including two ballrooms, expect contemporary designs with state-of-the-art audiovisual capabilities and lighting.

The regional character of Minnesota inspired the new design and layout of the hotel, created by Minneapolis-based firm RSP Architects. Local materials were brought in to evoke the surrounding area, including extensive use of Kasota Stone, which is also used in many of downtown Minneapolis' most famous buildings. White marble and birch bark were used for the columns,

making them reminiscent of a birch forest, while Corten steel added texture to various elements of the building, reflecting the taconite found along the North Shore. In addition, the warm woods and leathers bring visitors back to the days of the Mills along the river.

“With the renovation of the Millennium Hotel Minneapolis, we have created a modern hotel that appeals to corporate travelers, convention attendees and our local guests through new spaces and experiences that cater to their specific needs,” said Robert Rivers, Regional General Manager – North America. “We look forward to welcoming everyone back with an impressive redesign and continued commitment to service.”

Millennium Hotel Minneapolis has been a landmark in downtown since first opening in 1963 as Capp Towers. Its iconic dome launched it to national fame with a feature in the July 26, 1963 issue of *Life Magazine*. For more information please visit:

<http://www.millenniumhotels.com/millenniumhotelminneapolis/>.

About Millennium Hotel Minneapolis

Millennium Hotel Minneapolis is conveniently located on downtown's Nicollet Mall, within minutes of the city's sporting venues, theaters, museums and other cultural venues. It is connected directly adjacent to the Minneapolis Convention Center via an enclosed skyway. The property features 22,000 square feet of flexible meeting and banquet space that can accommodate groups up to 700, including the popular "Dome" banquet room offering a panoramic skyline view of Minneapolis. Other features include North 45° Restaurant and Bar, fitness suite and indoor heated pool with sauna. Convenient access to the Mall of America, the nation's largest retail and entertainment complex, is available. For more information see <http://www.millenniumhotels.com/millenniumhotelminneapolis/>

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