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WAIKIKI BEACH MARRIOTT RESORT & SPA APPOINTS MILES TOGIKAWA AS EXECUTIVE CHEF

WAIKIKI, OAHU – June 17, 2009 – Miles Togikawa has joined the 1,310-room Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa (marriottwaikiki.com) as its executive chef. Togikawa oversees the resort’s daily food and beverage operations, including Kuhio Beach Grill offering daily breakfast and dinner buffets with flavors from Hawaii and the Pacific Rim, and the open-air Moana Terrace with breathtaking views of Waikiki, refreshing cocktails, pupus, and live Hawaiian entertainment nightly. Togikawa is also responsible for the preparation of food for room service, catering and associate dining.



“We are pleased to welcome Miles whose more than twenty-five years of culinary expertise in Hawaii will provide our guests with a great dining experience here in Waikiki,” said Chris Tatum, general manager of Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa.

Togikawa recently served as the executive chef at Waikoloa Beach Marriott Resort & Spa on the Big Island of Hawaii. Prior to that, he was executive chef at Outrigger Kauai Beach Hotel. He began his Hawaii career as a cook at Stouffer’s Waiohai and Poipu Beach Hotel.

Active in culinary organizations, he is a member of the Culinary Institute of America Alumni Association in New York where he received a degree in culinary arts, and Les Toques Blanches.

Togikawa was born and raised in Kauai. He and his wife Helene reside on Oahu.

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WAIKIKI BEACH MARRIOTT RESORT & SPA fronts the best stretch of Waikiki Beach. Conveniently located in the heart of Waikiki, the hotel offers 1,310 refurbished guest rooms and suites with private lanai providing spectacular views of world-famous Diamond Head and Waikiki Beach. Other amenities include Kuhio Beach Grill, featuring the best in Pacific Rim cuisine; Sansei Seafood Restaurant & Sushi Bar and d.k Steak House; Arancino di Mare Italian Restaurant; contemporary sushi bar; Moana Terrace, offering live Hawaiian entertainment nightly; Seattle’s Best Coffee; Paul Brown’s Spa Olakino * Salon; Faith Riding Company Surf School; two freshwater, heated swimming pools; 10-person whirlpool; 24-hour fitness facility; business center with 24-hour Internet access; high-speed and wireless Internet access throughout the resort’s guest rooms and public spaces; shops and boutiques; and Hawaiian cultural activities. For more information, visit www.marriottwaikiki.com.

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