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THE REGENT PALMS TURKS AND CAICOS IS OPEN AND AS BEAUTIFUL AS EVER FOLLOWING HURRICANE IKE

**** Award-winning resort reopened Saturday, September 13 ****

September 17, 2008 (Turks and Caicos) – The Regent Palms on world-renowned Grace Bay Beach is open for business after Category 3 Hurricane Ike missed The Regent Palms by 90 miles on September 7, 2008. The Regent Palms beckons travelers with the new Regent Spa, stellar service and signature dining at Parallel23, A Tropical Grille. Not to mention, the resort’s pristine white-sand beach was unharmed by Hurricane Ike.

A chain of 40 distinct islands and cays, Turks and Caicos has long attracted travelers from the U.S. and around the world. Providenciales, home to The Regent Palms, is the largest island in the British Overseas Territory, boasting 12 gorgeous acres on Grace Bay Beach, all of which are reliably sheltered from weather approaching from the south. Moreover, travelers can rest assured that full service has been restored for inbound and outbound flights at Providenciales International Airport, including scheduled, charter and private service from North America.

“Resort management and staff undertook extensive preparation prior to Ike’s arrival, and we’re fortunate that the resort was spared major damage,” said Monica Neumann, General Manager of The Regent Palms. “We’re currently welcoming travelers to our beautiful resort and can assure incoming guests will enjoy the complete luxury experience for which The Regent Palms is known.”

Recently hailed as one of the world’s 100 Ultimate Escapes by *Robb Report Luxury Resorts*, the lush resort offers extravagant guest accommodations including 72 one-, two- and three-bedroom suites. The Regent Spa – which earned a coveted spot on *Condé Nast Traveler’s* “Hot List” 2008 – is a destination unto itself, with six new treatment cottages in a private garden and an appropriately masculine space for male-oriented treatments in front of a sports-tuned flat-screen TV.

For more information or to make reservations, please contact 866.877.7256 or visit www.RegentTurksandCaicos.com.

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