TEXAS A&M HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER NAMED NUMBER ONE HOTEL IN COLLEGE STATION IN U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT'S BEST HOTELS RANKINGS

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<u>The Doug Pitcock '49 Texas A&M Hotel and Conference Center</u>, a <u>Benchmark Resorts & Hotels</u> property, today announced it was ranked number one in College Station in U.S. News & World Report's Best Hotel Rankings. U.S. News & World Report evaluates more than 30,000 luxury hotels and resorts across the USA, Europe, Canada, Mexico, Bermuda and the Caribbean for its ranking.

"This is a great honor for our hotel and for the city of College Station," says Greg Stafford, General Manager of the Texas A&M Hotel and Conference Center. "Receiving this coveted ranking is a testament to the amazing dedication of our entire team to truly be the difference and ensure every guest's experience is one of world-class luxury."

U.S. News scores luxury hotels using a methodology that combines each hotel's industry awards with its star rating and guest reviews. U.S. News did not include COVID-19 data in the rankings. However, several of the major industry awards factored into the rankings take property cleanliness into account. The U.S. News Travel team also offers information on how the coronavirus pandemic is changing the hotel industry, ways hotel cleaning protocols have evolved and the top hotels for remote workers.

"The travel industry has faced numerous challenges over the past year, emphasizing the need to support and recognize hotels that continue to maintain exemplary standards," said Zach Watson, travel editor at U.S. News. "This year's list offers a reliable guide for travelers to use when planning their next getaway, whether that's in a few months or next year."

The commendation is the latest in a series of notable distinctions for the Texas A&M Hotel and Conference Center. The hotel was recognized as the Best Hotel/Resort in the Southwest by Northstar Meetings Group, received AAA's coveted Four Diamond Rating and AAA's Best Of Housekeeping Award. Prior to opening, it also received certification from IACC, formerly the International Association of Conference Centres, an organization that certifies the top Conference Centers in the world.

About Doug Pitcock '49 Texas A&M Hotel and Conference Center

With a privileged location directly across from Kyle Field, the Doug Pitcock '49 Texas A&M Hotel and Conference Center in College Station, Texas is a destination luxury property offering state-of-the-art conference facilities, signature brand amenities, welcoming accommodations, and gracious southern hospitality. Steeped in Texas A&M history, traditions and culture, the property has a powerful sense of place and is the ideal choice for business and leisure travelers seeking a one-of-a-kind authentic Aggieland experience. As the preferred hotel for Texas A&M University, the property offers 250 spacious guest rooms, including two penthouses and 11 suites, with sweeping views of the Texas A&M campus. Also featured on property is a rooftop pool overlooking Kyle Field; dining outlets committed to providing fresh, healthful, scratch prepared and locally-sourced dishes; a two-story bar and lounge with a terrace; and a full-service conference center with 35,000 square feet of meeting and event space. The Texas A&M Hotel and Conference Center is the perfect place for scholarly explorations, meaningful celebrations, productive meetings, college visits and family vacations.www.texasamhotelcc.com

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