

News Release

CURATOR HOTEL & RESORT COLLECTION EXPANDS BY ADDING FOUR DISTINGUISHED MIDWEST GEMS TO ITS GROWING PORTFOLIO

BETHESDA, MARYLAND (January 11, 2024) – <u>Curator Hotel & Resort Collection</u> ("Curator"), a distinct collection of independent hotels and resorts, today announced the addition of four new members to its growing portfolio of properties from <u>The Neighborhood Hotel</u> located in Little Italy, Chicago; Lincoln Park, Chicago; New Buffalo, Southwest Michigan; and Grand Beach, Southwest Michigan.

This expansion marks Curator's debut in the Chicago metropolitan area, introducing guests to extraordinary experiences in the vibrant neighborhoods of Little Italy and Lincoln Park. In Michigan, The Neighborhood Hotel's New Buffalo and Grand Beach locations join the iconic Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island, further enhancing Curator's presence in the region.

"We are delighted to kick off the year by adding these four exceptional hotels in Michigan and Illinois," said Jennifer Barnwell, President of Curator Hotel & Resort Collection. "Each of The Neighborhood Hotel properties combines historical elements with a hip, fresh vibe that caters to adventurers and travelers seeking respite and relaxation. These new member hotels reflect our commitment to delivering exceptional hospitality, and we look forward to creating memorable moments for guests as we continue to grow and enhance our collection of unique and extraordinary hotels."

The newest members of Curator Hotel & Resort Collection include:

The Neighborhood Hotel (Illinois and Michigan) - The Neighborhood Hotel (as recently highlighted in Forbes and Architectural Digest) features four distinct properties across Illinois and Southwest Michigan (75 quick miles from Chicago), all transformed into apartment-style hotels that are perfect for short and long term stays. Each location features a fresh and fun atmosphere that supports all travelers, from the homebody to the adventurer to a larger group of friends, colleagues, or family. The four properties added to Curator include:

- The Neighborhood Hotel Lincoln Park (Chicago): The Neighborhood Hotel Lincoln Park features fourteen spacious suites (ranging from one to three bedrooms plus a separate coach house unit) equipped with full kitchens, in-unit laundry, ample closet/dresser storage, Moccamaster coffee machines with local grounds and premium towels/linens. This hotel is ideal for both short and extended stays. Nestled in the desirable Lincoln Park neighborhood, guests feel the urban buzz of the surrounding area (steps away, they'll find top restaurants, cultural institutions, the Zoo, Wrigley Field, and Lake Michigan) while easily accessing several other parts of the city on foot or via nearby public transit
- The Neighborhood Hotel Little Italy (Downtown Chicago): The Neighborhood Hotel Little Italy offers thirty-five spacious suites (ranging from one to two bedrooms) equipped with full kitchens, in-unit laundry, ample closet/dresser storage, Moccamaster coffee machines with local grounds and premium towels/linens. This hotel is ideal for both short and extended stays. Situated in the heart of Little Italy, visitors are settled in a neighborhood with an old-world feel that seamlessly welcomes the new and modern. Explore some of the best restaurants in Chicago just steps from the hotel. The prime location allows guests to easily access key destinations throughout the city (i.e., Rush University Medical Center, UIC, UI Health, Cinespace Film Studio, The United Center, etc.).



- The Neighborhood Hotel New Buffalo (Southwest Michigan): The Neighborhood Hotel New Buffalo features nine studio suites that sleep two to four people. This quaint oasis is set amidst the charming bustle of downtown New Buffalo, just 75 miles from Chicago. Common spaces include a full kitchen, living room with fireplace, backyard with fire pits and a grill, plus a sunroom. In-unit special touches feature a Moccamaster Coffee Machine with local grounds and premium towels/linens. Here, travelers are steps to the lake/beach and some of the best restaurants and shops in Harbor Country. Adventure is a quick car ride away explore nearby hiking trails, Warren Dunes State Park, Galien River cruises, or vineyards/breweries.
- The Neighborhood Hotel Grand Beach (Southwest Michigan): The Neighborhood Hotel Grand Beach features fourteen suites (ranging from one to three bedrooms plus two separate cottage homes) equipped with full kitchens, in-unit laundry, ample closet/dresser storage, Moccamaster coffee machines with local grounds and premium towels/linens. Here, guests escape to a place where nature's bounty is celebrated, and comfort is prioritized (just 75 miles from Chicago). Common spaces make group gatherings easy and fun and include a full kitchen, living room with a fireplace, four acres of indoor/outdoor amenities complete with a pool, grills and fire pits, ping pong table, plus a bar and game room. Visitors are a short walk to the lake/beach and a quick car ride to nearby hiking trails, Warren Dunes State Park, Galien River cruises, or vineyards/breweries.

For more information on Curator Hotel & Resort Collection, visit www.curatorhotelsandresorts.com.

About Curator Hotel & Resort Collection

Curator Hotel & Resort Collection is a distinct collection of small brands and independent lifestyle hotels and resorts worldwide, founded by Pebblebrook Hotel Trust and a group of industry-leading hotel operators. Curator provides lifestyle hotels and resorts access to a wide breadth of program offerings to enhance the guest experience, improve employee engagement, and create value while allowing their members the freedom to retain what makes their hotels and resorts unique. It offers the benefits of associating with other unique lifestyle properties and brands while participating in best-in-class operating agreements, services, reporting, and technology. In addition to Pebblebrook, the founding members of Curator include Davidson Hospitality Group, Noble House Hotels & Resorts, Sage Hospitality Group, Springboard Hospitality, and Viceroy Hotels & Resorts. For more information, visit www.curatorhotelsandresorts.com and follow us at @CuratorHotelsResorts.

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