Emotions All-Inclusive Resorts By Hodelpa In Juan Dolio And Playa Dorada Join The Ascend Hotel Collection New Properties Mark the First All-Inclusive Option for the Brand

ROCKVILLE, Md., June 1, 2018 /<u>PRNewswire</u>/ -- Emotions All-Inclusive Resorts by Hodelpa, in Juan Dolio and Playa Dorada, Dominican Republic, are the latest resorts to join the <u>Ascend Hotel Collection</u> by <u>Choice Hotels International</u>, further expanding the brand's Caribbean offerings with the brand's first all-inclusive properties.

Known for inspiring individuality, the Ascend Hotel Collection is the first and largest global soft brand, featuring best-in-class, boutique, unique, and historic hotels and resorts. There are more than 200 Ascend Hotel Collection member properties worldwide, with four properties in the Caribbean.

"Guests love the unique, local experiences that the Ascend Hotel Collection brand offers each guest," said Janis Cannon, senior vice president of upscale brands for Choice Hotels. "With 30 million visitors seeking out the Caribbean each year, we look forward to offering travelers and loyal Choice customers two all-inclusive resorts that offer an authentic and immersive experience in their favorite tropical destinations."

Emotions All-Inclusive Resorts by Hodelpa in Juan Dolio is nestled in a private beach area, providing the ultimate escape. Just 40 minutes from the city of Santo Domingo and 20 minutes from Las Americas International Airport, the hotel is in an ideal location for travelers. The all-inclusive resort has everything from water sports to three outdoor swimming pools, as well as onsite dining featuring wine and beer. Other amenities include an onsite gym, sauna and jacuzzi.

The Playa Dorada Emotions All-Inclusive Resorts by Hodelpa offers a stunning golden sands beach with the largest beach front of the northern coast in Playa Dorada Puerto Plata. The resort is also in a prime location surrounded by Playa Dorada Golf Course and just 15 minutes from the Puerto Plata International Airport. Guests can enjoy a variety of amenities, including swim-up rooms located on the first floor with access to a private pool, three swimming pools, a swim-up bar, water sports, climbing wall, soccer field, night club and theater.

Hodelpa is the largest Dominican chain of hotels and resorts, known for elegantly decorated rooms and services with facilities that deliver a dream vacation to every guest. Both Emotions All-Inclusive Resorts by Hodelpa properties give guests the option to pay a single rate per person, per night that includes all meals, beverages, and entertainment during the day and night. This allows guests the opportunity to fully enjoy their vacation without worrying about money as they enjoy meals or activities on site.

As members of the Ascend Hotel Collection, both Hodelpa resorts will participate in the award-winning Choice Privileges loyalty rewards program, rated no. 1 in *USA Today's* 10Best Readers' Choice Awards list for two consecutive years. Membership is free, offers fast rewards, immediate perks, and exclusive member rates when booking direct at http://www.choicehotels.com/. Members can earn and redeem points towards free nights at participating hotels.

Ascend Hotel Collection: let the destination reach you.

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including in France, the United Kingdom, Denmark, Finland, Ireland, Norway, Sweden, Turkey, Australia, Canada, Ecuador and the Caribbean region. Membership with the Ascend Hotel Collection enables distinctive, independent properties to gain a global presence while maintaining their local charm. For more information, visit www.choicehotels.com/Ascend.

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