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AAHOA Statement on FTC Vision and Priorities

ATLANTA, Ga., Sep. 30 – AAHOA President & CEO Ken Greene issued the following statement in response to a memo by Federal Trade Commission (FTC) Chair Lina Khan which outlined the FTC's vision and priorities:

“America’s hotel owners welcome FTC Chair Lina Khan’s commitment to addressing rampant consolidation and the anti-competitive practices that it can foster.

The lack of competition, especially among online travel agencies, is disproportionately impacting independent hotels and demands more scrutiny of the dominant firms.

We applaud her for prioritizing this important issue and the steps she is taking to appoint seasoned and competent public servants to promote competition and consumer protection.

AAHOA looks forward to working with the administration to promote a fairer and more competitive marketplace where small businesses can thrive.”

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About AAHOA

AAHOA is the largest hotel owners association in the nation, with Member-owned properties representing a significant part of the U.S. economy. AAHOA's 20,000 members own 60% of the hotels in the United States and are responsible for 1.7% of the nation's GDP. More than one million employees work at AAHOA member-owned hotels, earning \$47 billion annually, and member-owned hotels support 4.2 million U.S. jobs across all sectors of the hospitality industry. AAHOA's mission is to advance and protect the business interests of hotel owners through advocacy, industry leadership, professional development, member benefits, and community engagement.