

HPT Prices Offering of 4,000,000 Common Shares

Newton, MA (February 18, 2004): Hospitality Properties Trust (NYSE: HPT) today announced that it has priced a public offering of 4,000,000 common shares of beneficial interest at last night's closing price of \$43.93 per share. The settlement of this sale is expected to occur on February 23, 2004. HPT intends to use the net proceeds of the offering to reduce amounts outstanding under its unsecured revolving bank credit facility. HPT has granted the underwriters a 30-day option to buy up to 600,000 additional shares to cover overallotments. if any.

The joint book running managers for this offering are Merrill Lynch & Co. and Wachovia Securities. Co-managers are Legg Mason Wood Walker Incorporated, Morgan Stanley, RBC Capital Markets and UBS Investment Bank.

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