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Resort at Squaw Creek, A Destination Hotel, Appoints Patrick Cleary to Executive Chef

Chef Cleary to Oversee Culinary Operations at Luxury California Resort

LAKE TAHOE, Calif. (May 3, 2018) – Resort at Squaw Creek, A Destination Hotel, a luxury California resort with an idyllic mountain setting, is pleased to announce the promotion of Patrick Cleary to executive chef. Chef Cleary will lead the resort’s six restaurants, including the forthcoming Montagna restaurant debuting Memorial Day weekend, overseeing their exceptional culinary team, menu development and overall daily operations. With an impressive 15 years of experience working in hotels, restaurants and fine dining establishments across the country, Chef Cleary brings a wealth of diverse talent and passion to his new role at Resort at Squaw Creek.

“Chef Cleary is a truly gifted and innovative chef,” said Andre Priemer, area managing director of Resort at Squaw Creek. “His considered approach to seasonal ingredients and his drive to create meaningful relationships with local suppliers is a refreshing addition to our team of talented chefs at the resort. We welcome his perspective and influence to the resort’s culinary program and look forward to seeing what he has in store for our guests.”

“My goal is to afford guests with a warm and intimate dining experience where they will feel like they are eating at home with loved ones,” said Cleary. “California has some of the country’s best produce and farmers that I have ever worked with, which makes cooking a delight when you have such great products to work with in creating menus highlighting all of these amazing flavors.”

Previously, Cleary served as executive sous chef at Resort at Squaw Creek, where he mastered a new style of cuisine following his move to the West Coast. From 2016 to 2017, he held the role of executive sous chef at Waldorf Astoria, Key West, working as part of the team that secured the title of Number One Property for Weddings in the Continental United States for Hilton. Prior

to Waldorf Astoria, Cleary was a senior sous chef at Hilton Short Hills, the only five diamond-rated restaurant in New Jersey. Prior to the Hilton, Cleary worked with the team that opened the Hyatt Regency on the Hudson River. The Hyatt Regency is where Cleary developed his passion for elevated hotel dining experiences and influenced the coming years of his career.

Cleary began his culinary profession in early 2002 when he graduated from the Culinary Center of Monmouth County in Asbury Park, New Jersey. Cleary was born and raised in New Jersey, 15 miles outside of New York City. It was his time on the East Coast that ultimately drove him to become a chef, "Growing up my Grandmother took me fishing and gardening and those experiences combined with her passion has really shaped my approach to food. To this day my style is continuously influenced by local products and I strive to provide fresh, modern dishes that give you a taste of the region." said Cleary. In addition Cleary grew up eating in some of New York's most renowned restaurants, which served as an invaluable foundation for his bright culinary journey ahead.

For more information, please visit www.squawcreek.com.

About Resort at Squaw Creek, A Destination Hotel

Resort at Squaw Creek, a luxury California resort with an idyllic mountain setting, rests at the base of Squaw Valley and is just minutes from North Lake Tahoe. Rated AAA Four-Diamond, Resort at Squaw Creek offers ski-in/ski-out access to Squaw Valley Alpine Meadows and 405 luxurious resort rooms and suites with a "mountain meets modern" ambiance. A year-round mecca of Lake Tahoe activities, the resort boasts a championship golf course, cross-country ski center, fly fishing center, ice-skating rink, heated swimming pools, water slide, and scenic hiking and biking trails, full-service spa and six on-site Squaw Valley restaurants. Whether guests are seeking an exciting family vacation or looking for a best-of-class corporate conference destination, Resort at Squaw Creek provides top quality service and amenities to ensure guests depart with cherished multi-generational memories.

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