



## ***CERTIFICATE OF SPECIAL RECOGNITION***

Presented to

### ***HOTEL FORT DES MOINES 100-YEAR ANNIVERSARY***

*Hotel Fort Des Moines opened in July 1919 in the City of Des Moines and served for decades as a premier destination for cultural, political, and entertainment icons both locally and nationally. One hundred years later, Hotel Fort Des Moines' renowned hospitality, style and legacy is being carried on by the Patel family & Hawkeye Hotels, the developer that is renovating the historic property at 10<sup>th</sup> and Walnut Streets.*

*The development team has partnered with the City of Des Moines and the State of Iowa Historic Preservation office, which recently awarded \$16 million in Historic Tax Credits to the over \$50 million project. Through thoughtful re-design, an understanding of the Fort's storied past, and a passion to revive and restore the structure to its legendary glory, the history of the Hotel Fort Des Moines will be preserved for generations to come. Hotel Fort Des Moines will remain an epicenter of culture, community and politics in the City of Des Moines and the State of Iowa, and provide a unique way for visitors to experience our state capital.*

*The City of Des Moines honors the centennial of this iconic hotel and its inherent tradition and majesty.*

***PRESENTED THIS  
FIFTEENTH DAY OF JULY, TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN***

***T. M. Franklin Cownie, Mayor  
City of Des Moines, Iowa***