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## Bellagio Honored as Top Las Vegas Resort With 10th Consecutive AAA Five Diamond Award

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Five Celebrated Bellagio Restaurants Also Recognized by Distinguished AAA Awards LAS VEGAS, Nov. 19, 2010 / PRNewswire/ -- Bellagio has been awarded the prestigious AAA Five Diamond Award for the tenth consecutive year. With its unsurpassed service, world-class dining and luxurious amenities, Bellagio is the first resort and casino in Las Vegas to ever reach this amazing milestone and the only hotel in the America to have two AAA Five Diamond restaurants under one roof.

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"The AAA Five Diamond Award has been the most coveted symbol of excellence in the travel industry since its inception in 1977 and we are incredibly honored to be recognized for the tenth year in a row," said Randy Morton, President and COO of Bellagio. "We could not have achieved this without our outstanding employees who work around the clock to provide superior service to our guests."

Bellagio continues to be the only resort in the United States to be home to two AAA Five Diamond restaurants. Joining Bellagio in making Las Vegas history, Julian Serrano's renowned restaurant <u>Picasso</u> garnered its tenth AAA Five Diamond Award this year while <u>Le Cirque</u> has earned the distinction for the eighth consecutive year. Further adding to its dining accolades, Bellagio's <u>Jasmine</u>, <u>Michael Mina</u> and <u>Sensi</u> all earned the AAA Four Diamond Award.

Ana Marie Mormandano, Vice President of Food & Beverage at Bellagio, said, "There is only one place in America that you can find world-famous chefs, unrivaled fare and the epitome of luxury under one roof. We uphold the highest standards for fresh ingredients, unique menus and worldly experiences that give our guests a culinary adventure unlike any other."

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Bellagio was the first Las Vegas resort and casino to ever receive the AAA Five Diamond award in 2001 and continues to offer unsurpassed excellence. Inspired by the beautiful villages of Europe, the AAA Five Diamond Bellagio overlooks a Mediterranean-blue lake in which the Fountains of Bellagio perform their magnificent aquatic ballet. Award-winning dining, a world-class art gallery, the exquisite Conservatory & Botanical Gardens, Cirque du Soleil's stunning production of "0," a sumptuous spa and salon and exclusive luxury shopping all work together to compose the symphony that is Bellagio.

To be considered for AAA rating and approval, restaurants and lodgings undergo a thorough evaluation by AAA/CAA's full-time tourism inspectors. Five Diamond establishments go through a much more extensive review. AAA experts judge lodgings on the exterior of the facility, public areas, guest rooms, amenities and bathrooms. Restaurants are evaluated on criteria including food, service, decor and ambiance.

Bellagio is a wholly owned subsidiary of MGM Resorts International (NYSE: MGM; <u>www.mgmresorts.com</u>). For more information and reservations, visit the resort's website, <u>www.bellagio.com</u> or call toll free (888) 987-6667.

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