



## **GRACE BAY RESORTS PROMOTES THIERRY GRANDSIRE TO EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF OPERATIONS**

**PROVIDENCIALES, TURKS AND CAICOS (April 20, 2015)** – Grace Bay Resorts announces the promotion of Thierry Grandsire to executive vice president of operations. With more than 28 years of hotel management experience in the luxury hospitality industry, the promotion marks an extension of Thierry’s previous role as group director of operations of Grace Bay Resorts and general manager of Grace Bay Club. As executive vice president of operations, Thierry will be responsible for the overall operations of Grace Bay Club, the company’s renowned resort and the original luxury resort of Turks & Caicos, as well as Grace Bay Resorts’ branded properties, The Residences and Villas, overseeing day-to-day operations to support growth and directing operations in support of the resorts goals.

“Thierry is a gifted leader who has brought invaluable operating expertise and established luxury hospitality processes to our hotels,” said Mark Durliat, CEO of Grace Bay Resorts. “These contributions have allowed us to actively and confidently pursue growth of our boutique brand into additional properties. Over the past 5 years Thierry’s management of our flagship resort Grace Bay Club has helped to deliver unprecedented revenue and service excellence while his oversight of our other operating properties has delivered rapid results and helped our employees to grow.”

“We are excited to welcome him to this new role,” said Nikheel Advani COO of Grace Bay Resorts. “Thierry consistently inspires his team to deliver the exceptional levels of service we pride ourselves on, and we look forward to Thierry’s continued guidance in delivering the best guest experience possible.”

Prior to Grace Bay Club, Thierry served as general manager of The Resort at Pelican Hill, a luxurious golf and spa resort located in Newport, Calif. Before joining The Resort at Pelican Hill, Thierry spent more than 18 years as a senior executive with The Ritz-Carlton brand, holding integral leadership roles and managing properties in the United States and Middle East, including locations in Pasadena, Marina del Rey and Laguna Niguel.

A native of France, Thierry holds a degree in economics from Nice University in Nice, France, where he received extensive training and honed his management leadership skills.

### **About Grace Bay Resorts**

Grace Bay Resorts is a boutique developer and operator of high-end, luxury resorts and branded residences, founded from its flagship property Grace Bay Club which opened in 1993 the brand has grown with an ownership stake in the management of West Bay Club and The Residences, a micro resort with exclusive luxury beachfront villas all in Turks and Caicos. Led by Mark Durliat and Nikheel Advani, the developers and hoteliers behind this renowned brand, and Michael Brewster, previous Managing Partner of Denver-based SV Capital Partners, Grace Bay Resorts provides development, branding and management expertise for luxury five-star boutique hotels and branded residences. Grace Bay Resorts is

expanding its award-winning brand and services across the Caribbean destinations and Latin America, with a target of 10 properties in the next few years. [www.gracebayresorts.com](http://www.gracebayresorts.com)

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