THE RITZ-CARLTON, SAN FRANCISCO GLOWS WITH PRIDE THROUGHOUT THE MONTH OF JUNE
San Francisco’s prestigious Nob Hill hotel offers PRIDE-themed Afternoon Tea and other rainbow-colored delights

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. (May 23, 2019) – The City by the Bay’s iconic luxury hotel – The Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco – is embracing PRIDE month with a series of festive offerings. Each evening throughout June, the award-winning hotel will be illuminated with rainbow-colored lights to match the iconic flag symbolizing peace. From a whimsical version of its signature Afternoon Tea on June 2 and 16, to special culinary delights throughout the month, The Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco invites guests and locals alike to celebrate PRIDE in style. A portion of proceeds from the PRIDE specials will be donated to Openhouse, a San Francisco-based charity which provides support to Bay Area LGBTQ seniors.

Additionally, guests can take advantage of the hotel’s proximity to the San Francisco PRIDE Parade – half a mile from its Embarcadero starting point – to join more than 100,000 people gathered to experience one of the oldest and largest LGBTQIA parades in the world. The parade will take place on Sunday, June 30 at 10:30 a.m.

Whether guests prefer to enjoy tasty culinary delights at the hotel or join the city-wide festivities, The Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco presents a multitude of ways to honor PRIDE.

PRIDE Afternoon Tea
On Sunday, June 2 and Sunday, June 16, the hotel’s famous Afternoon Tea experience will get a colorful twist for PRIDE. Guests can savor rainbow-colored pastries in the hotel’s chic city-view
Lounge paired with fine pots of tea. The Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco will donate 50 percent of all proceeds from PRIDE Afternoon Tea to Openhouse.

*PRIDE Afternoon Tea is available for $88 per person. Seatings from 1-2pm. Reservations can be placed by calling (415) 773-6168.*

**PRIDE Specials in The Lounge**
In addition to PRIDE Afternoon Tea, special menu items will be on offer in The Lounge throughout the month of June. Offerings include:

- **“BLT(G)”** – A twist on the classic sandwich features bacon, lettuce, tomato, and guacamole on San Francisco Sourdough Bread.
- **Polk Punch** – An homage to historic Polk Street – located a few blocks from the hotel and home to San Francisco’s first-ever PRIDE Parade in 1972 – this effervescent libation is the ultimate celebratory beverage to share among friends and loved ones. The drink is available in individual glass and larger punch bowl format and features three types of rum, Maurin Quina, Luxardo Maraschino, pineapple juice, orange juice, and bubbles.

*$1 from every BLT(G) purchased will be donated to Openhouse, as well as $2 from every glass and $4 from every bowl of Polk Punch.*

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**About The Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco**
Completely transformed and reimagined, The Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco sets a new standard of excellence in the City by the Bay, drawing inspiration from the alluring designs of couture and the city’s iconic architecture. Set within a 1909 Neoclassical landmark building in the prestigious Nob Hill neighborhood, The Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco is the city’s only AAA Five Diamond hotel and was recently named the #1 hotel in San Francisco by the readers of *Travel + Leisure* for their 2016 ‘World’s Best Awards’. Conveniently located in the heart of the city, the iconic hotel is nearby San Francisco’s most visited attractions and the historic cable car is accessible right outside its doors. Offering globally-inspired California cuisine and seasonal cocktails at the award-winning Parallel 37, the largest luxury Club Level experience in San Francisco, and more than 4,000 sq. ft. of grand event spaces, the 336-room Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco provides the ultimate in personalized Ritz-Carlton service, comfort and luxury.

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**About Openhouse**

Openhouse is an organization that believes LGBTQ seniors deserve access to housing and services that cater to their unique needs as they age. Over 2,500 LGBTQ aging adults share in creating a community at Openhouse that thrives through education, intergenerational connections and our fight for social justice. Openhouse is the only organization in San Francisco dedicated to honoring LGBTQ seniors while ensuring the most marginalized individuals under the rainbow are valued and visible.