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TULALIP RESORT CASINO EARNS COVETED 2012 PLATINUM CHOICE AWARD From Thousands of Qualified Properties and Organizations, Only a Select Few are Honored

Tulalip, Washington --- Tulalip Resort Casino is one of 125 hotels in North America to be awarded the ninth annual Platinum Choice Award from Smart Meetings Magazine — the industry's premier resource for meeting professionals. This prestigious award recognizes excellence in service and amenities among meeting facilities in the U.S., Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean.

Out of thousands of qualified properties and organizations, only a select few received this award. Winners earn this accreditation by setting exemplary standards in numerous categories, which include ambience, amenities, breadth of resources, facility quality, guest services, meeting space, meeting packages, recreational activities, restaurant and dining facilities, staff attitude and technical support.

"I am so proud of our Tulalip family and their unwavering commitment to insure that each meeting we host is beyond compare and memorable for our guests," said General Manager Samuel Askew. "We are honored to have been selected for this top award by the magazine's readers and industry experts."

The esteemed group of honorees can be found on Smart Meetings' website, <u>http://www.smartmeetings.com</u>.

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About Tulalip Resort Casino

Award winning Tulalip Resort Casino is the most distinctive gaming, dining, meeting, entertainment and shopping destination in Washington State. The AAA Four Diamond resort's world class amenities have ensured its place on the Condé Nast Traveler Gold and Traveler Top 100 Resorts lists, as well as Preferred Hotel & Resorts membership. The property includes 192,000 square feet of gaming excitement; a luxury hotel featuring 370 guest rooms and suites; 30,000 square feet of premier meeting, convention and wedding space; the full-service T Spa; and 6 dining venues, including the AAA Four Diamond Tulalip Bay Restaurant. It also showcases the intimate Canoes Cabaret; a 3,000-seat amphitheater. Nearby, find the Hibulb Cultural Center and Natural History Preserve, Cabela's; and Seattle Premium Outlets, featuring more than 110 name brand retail discount shops. Tulalip Resort Casino is conveniently located between Seattle and Vancouver, B.C. just off Interstate-5 at exit 200. It is an enterprise of the Tulalip Tribes. For reservations please call (866) 716-7162.