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**HAMPTON INN & SUITES ALBANY DOWNTOWN GRAND
OPENING EVENT BENEFIT FOR WHITNEY YOUNG
HEALTH SERVICES WELL ATTENDED**

ALBANY, NY – Tuesday, November 1, 2005

The Hampton Inn & Suites Albany Downtown, which opened October 7, 2005, held their Grand Opening Gala Event to benefit Whitney M. Young Jr. Health Services on Thursday, October 20th. The hotel hosted a silent auction of celebrity items and donated 100% of all proceeds to Whitney Young's Foundation. Locally renowned Chef Yono Purnomo's sumptuous appetizers and reception fare treated guests.

Director of Sales, Marte Dobosh, at the newly opened Hampton Inn & Suites Albany Downtown, commented, "The turnout at the opening gala was spectacular with almost 300 guests in attendance. We are proud that we were able to organize this event to benefit Whitney Young Health Services and contribute back to the community that has embraced us as an Albany business partner."

James D. Sinkoff, President and CEO of Whitney M. Young, Jr. Health Services, commented, "By choosing to host a grand opening benefit for Whitney Young, the Hampton Inn & Suites Albany Downtown really demonstrated their commitment to social responsibility. With their generous donation from the benefit, we are able to continue providing valuable and necessary health services to the Capital Region's most vulnerable residents."

The benefit raised more than \$4,000 with the largest single auction item going for \$850 – a private dinner for eight prepared in the winning bidder's home by Chef Yono. Congratulations were offered to both the hotel and Whitney Young by local public officials and dignitaries that attended the gala.

About Whitney M. Young Jr. Health Services

Whitney M. Young, Jr. Health Services has been providing consistently excellent health care without regard to income or insurance status for more than 34 years through a comprehensive array of services including: prenatal, pediatrics, adolescent and adult medicine, internal medicine, HIV/AIDS primary care and support services, dental, ob/gyn, home visiting, geriatric social work, teaching, training, health screenings and substance abuse services. Whitney Young is also one of the largest providers of travel

immunizations to Capital Region residents traveling abroad. In July 2005, Whitney Young added a fifth location to their family of health services – the Troy Health Center located at 6-102nd Street in Troy’s North Central neighborhood.

About the Hampton Inn & Suites Albany

The hotel is centrally located in Albany Downtown and within walking distance of several government buildings, downtown businesses and area attractions. In addition to the well-appointed 121 deluxe guest rooms and 44 suites, the Hampton Inn & Suites Albany Downtown provides a complimentary hot breakfast each morning. The hotel offers two meeting rooms and two boardrooms, a fitness center with both a sauna and steam room and soon to be opened locally acclaimed Yono’s restaurant. The property also features 21st century telecommunications technology with fiber-optic wiring and complimentary high-speed Internet access. For more information, or to book a room online, visit the hotel’s official website: www.hamptonsuitesalbany.com.

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