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THE ISO NAMED BEST BOUTIQUE HOTEL IN HAWAII AT AIO MEDIA HAWAII LODGING AND TOURISM AWARDS

HONOLULU (March 6, 2019) – The ISO, a Castle Resorts & Hotels property, was recently named the 2019 Best Boutique Hotel in Hawaii at the 2nd Annual aio Media Hawaii Lodging and Tourism Awards. The ISO is a 79-room oceanfront retreat on Kauai's famous Royal Coconut Coast.

"We're extremely proud to receive this incredible recognition for The ISO," said Castle Resorts & Hotels President and CEO Alan Mattson. "This property is special, from its prime oceanfront location to its rustic chic personality to its array of offerings for today's outdoor and recreational travelers. It embodies the true essence of an award-winning boutique hotel."

An acronym for Island. Sky. Ocean., The ISO is the only property on Kauai's east shore that literally sits on the ocean's edge without any form of separation. As a result, all of the rooms offer ocean views. It reopened to the public in April 2018 following a \$5 million renovation of the lobby, guest rooms, exterior and grounds.

The ISO is the only lifestyle boutique hotel on the coast to offer a free healthy continental breakfast, a reusable keepsake water bottle, and yoga mats and canteen

coffee mugs in all rooms for guests' use. The ISO also offers yoga and other fitness options on the oceanfront lawn as well as beach cruiser bikes to explore the area and the four-mile coastal trail adjacent to the property.

The guest rooms feature a rustic, contemporary décor and include a refrigerator, coffee maker, flat screen TV, WiFi, Bluetooth, and USB capable clock radio. Among the property's amenities are an oceanfront swimming pool, large grass courtyard with lounge chairs and tiki torches, fire pit, and filtered water station. The ISO is also home to the island's number one-rated Bull Shed Restaurant, which specializes in gourmet steaks, prime rib and fresh island seafood.

The 2nd Annual aio Media Hawaii Lodging & Tourism Awards honors key industry professionals, events, attractions and businesses that contribute to Hawaii's booming tourism industry. It is presented in partnership by aio Media Group and the Hawaii Lodging & Tourism Association.

Rates at The ISO begin at \$179 for an ocean view guest room and include a complimentary continental breakfast from 7:00 to 10:00 a.m. daily. A \$19 daily resort fee includes water bottle, bicycle use, yoga and other fitness options on the lawn, parking and WiFi. For more information, call (808) 545-3510 or visit <u>TheISO.com</u>.

About Castle Resorts & Hotels

Castle Resorts & Hotels was founded in 1993 and is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Castle Group, Inc. Headquartered in Honolulu, Castle manages a broad portfolio of guest accommodations including value/economy hotels, full-service hotels and spacious all-suite condominium resorts and luxury villas in the Hawaiian Islands on Oahu, Maui, Molokai, Kauai and Hawaii, and in New Zealand on the North Shore of Auckland. To learn more or to make a reservation, visit <u>www.castleresorts.com</u> or call (808) 367-5004. Keep up with current events at <u>www.instagram.com/castleresorts</u> and <u>www.facebook.com/CastleResortsAndHotels</u>.