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Alyeska Resort Introduces Vacation Package Savings with New Line of Alaskan Summer Base Camp Packages

May 6, 2010 (Girdwood, Alaska) – The tell-tale signs of summer in Alaska are emerging as the major national parks – Denali, Katmai, Kenai Fjords, and Wrangell-St. Elias – are waking up from their winter hibernation. The white-capped mountain peaks surrounding Alyeska Resort are giving way to verdant green as the lush landscape escapes its winter blanket. One of Alaska’s premier destinations, Alyeska Resort is making the transformation from steep and deep skiing to the ultimate summer adventure base camp. The resort is introducing a new line of activity-based lodging packages aimed at making Alaskan exploration convenient and affordable for all vacationers.

The majority of summer travelers to Alaska arrive via cruise, and one of the most challenging parts of the vacation-planning process is deciding what to do once the ship reaches land. To simplify the process and offer a greater level of flexibility, Alyeska is offering a variety of affordable land package options for the discerning, active traveler. Designed with active adults, families and adventurers in mind, the packages combine a deluxe room at the luxurious Hotel Alyeska with signature Alaskan adventures. Along the scenic Seward Highway, the resort is only 40 miles from Anchorage Ted Stevens International Airport.

Surrounded by the jagged peaks of the Chugach Mountain Range, Alyeska Resort is located in the northernmost coastal temperate rainforest in North America. The two extreme natural phenomena create a truly Alaskan landscape where mountains meet water’s edge. In this lush setting, guests of Alyeska Resort can indulge in resort luxury while exploring the great Alaska wilderness. In addition to guided tours, there are many complimentary outdoor activities and day trips easily accessible from the resort. There are a number of nature trails for all levels of hikers and bikers starting right from the hotel courtyard. The 60-passenger scenic aerial tram operates daily, rising up to 2,300 feet in elevation where guests can view hanging glaciers and tour the historic Roundhouse Museum. Dining options include the casual Glacier Express Cafeteria for lunch and the *AAA Four Diamond* recognized Seven Glaciers Restaurant open for dinner daily.

The new offerings include a line of one-night Stay & Play Packages that include deluxe lodging and your choice of activity. The activity options, hand-selected by the experienced Alyeska Resort



guest services team, include the following tours: Rainforest Stroll or Hike, Glacier Hike, Wildlife & Glacier Viewing Day Cruise and Alaska Railroad Spencer Glacier Float. The one-night package prices range from as low as \$149 per person to \$289 per person* inclusive of tax and fees.

Alyeska Resort is located at the gateway to the Kenai Peninsula, world-renowned for its rivers and streams and abundance of salmon fishing and fly-fishing. The Fish Wild Alaska Package is designed for all levels seeking a rewarding and safe guided experience. The package starts from \$419 per person* inclusive of tax and fees and includes two-nights of deluxe lodging and guided fishing excursion.

In celebration of America's national parks, the Rail & Explore: Kenai Fjords National Park Package includes three-nights deluxe lodging, roundtrip travel to Seward via Alaska Railroad combined with a full-day Kenai Fjords National Park Cruise, and your choice of one-hour rainforest stroll or three hour rainforest hike. The package starts from \$649 per person* inclusive of tax and fees.

For the ultimate adventure traveler, Alyeska is offering a three-day Peak Adventures Package that includes three-night deluxe lodging, and your choice of rock or ice climbing, guided glacier hike and paragliding. The package starts from \$789 per person* inclusive of tax and fees. The expert climbing guides are provided by local outfitter The Ascending Path (www.theascendingpath.com). Alaska Paragliding (www.alaskaparagliding.com) offers tandem paragliding tours and the best views of the valley. These guided adventures offer technical instruction as well as knowledge of local flora and fauna.

To learn more about the available activities and to reserve one the new Alyeska Summer Base Camp Packages, please visit www.alyeskaresort.com or call 800-880-3880.

** The promotional package pricing is based on double occupancy, and subject to availability. The packages have a limited amount of blackout dates and require advanced reservations.*

About Alyeska Resort (www.alyeskaresort.com)

Alyeska Resort is Alaska's premier year-round destination featuring The Hotel Alyeska, an award-winning 304 room full-service property. Located just 40 miles from Anchorage and Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport, Alyeska Resort is your base camp for summer and winter excursions. The resort is within close proximity of three national parks and the Kenai Peninsula, and is home to the northernmost temperate rainforest, part of the Chugach Mountains. Alyeska Resort stands out in ski season with 643" of average snowfall annually and the longest-continuous double black diamond ski run in North America. Learn more about the resort and plan your Alaskan adventure at www.alyeskaresort.com or 800.880.3880.