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EMBARK ON A RECONNECTING JOURNEY WITH THE RITZ-CARLTON RESIDENCES, WAIKIKI BEACH'S NEW SIGNATURE COUPLES SPA EXPERIENCE

WAIKIKI BEACH, HI. – October 9, 2019 – Whether global jetsetters are celebrating the splendor of new romance or honoring a relationship milestone, there's no other way to make the heart grow fonder than immersing in meaningful journeys together. The Ritz-Carlton Spa, Waikiki Beach, located at the largest Ritz-Carlton Residences in the brand's portfolio worldwide, invites both lovers and beloved companions to reconnect the mind, spirit and heart with its new signature treatment: **Pilialoha**.



Handcrafted by Hawaiian Rainforest Naturals Co-Founder and cultural practitioner Melia Goodenow of Hawai'i Island, Pilialoha was designed to bring two people together, strip away emotional tension and stress, and connect them back to what's important—the love between each other. Taking center stage is the 'ōlena (turmeric) root, sourced from the lush rainforests of the Hawaiian islands.

The 80-minute journey begins with an 'ōlena and wild lehua honey scrub full of essential vitamins and minerals to boost vitality and vigor. A lomilomi massage infused with wild flower essences brings both bodies into rhythm and opens the heart center. Warm pōhaku (stone) and fresh 'awa (also known as kava) lotion is applied to align the pulses and release neck tension. Finally, a mark is stamped on each person's heart and wrist using a fresh cut 'ōlena root, and both wrists are brought together—stamp to stamp—marking the end of the journey, connecting both people together.

Inspired by the balancing elements and healing power of the Hawaiian Islands, The Ritz-Carlton Spa is located on the 8th floor lobby level of The Ritz-Carlton Residences, Waikiki Beach, and is open daily from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The 3,400-square-foot spa serves as a tranquil respite above the vibrant and bustling streets of Waikīkī, featuring a contemporary and elegant space in two levels with four treatment rooms; relaxation lounge; men and women's locker rooms; cedar sauna; and retail and reception area. Spa services are available to resort guests as well as day spa visitors.

Appointments can be made by calling (808) 729-9783 or online at ritzcarlton.com/waikiki.

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