

**SUMTER,SC RESIDENT HONORED WITH PRESTIGIOUS NATIONAL  
HAMPTON HOTELS® AWARD**

*Theresa Joetta Fullard Night Auditor was Chosen as the “Spirit of Hampton” award winner.*

SUMTER, SC 10/01/2009 – Hampton Hotels (www.hampton.com), the international brand of more than 1,600 mid-priced Hampton Inn® and Hampton Inn & Suites® hotels, has honored Theresa Joetta Fullard the **Night Auditor**, of the Hampton Hotels Sumter with the company’s Spirit of Hampton Award. This award signifies **Fullard** as a top performer within Hampton Hotels.

Nominated by their peers because of exemplary loyalty, attitude and service, the chosen team member continually exceeds expectations of both customers and fellow team members. Less than one percent of all Hampton Hotels team members internationally receive this honor each year.

**Fullard** was nominated for the award by “**her**” peers after proving to be an exceptional role model. Fullard continues to make outstanding contributions to guests and team members, showing great enthusiasm in all areas of “**her**” work at the hotel,” said **Debra Bell**. We are proud of “**her**” recognition as a Spirit of Hampton Award winner, the company’s most prestigious team member award. Team members like **Fullard** create a welcoming and exceptional experience for guests, and impacts other team members and creates a domino effect of great service. ”

Hampton Inn Suites Hotels, which has more than 1600 hotels worldwide, recognizes only a couple of hundred Team Members a year with this honor. As a recipient of the award, “**she**” will receive a cash prize of \$350, a Spirit Award plaque and lapel pin, and other special recognition throughout their career with Hilton family of brands.