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**CRUISEPHILLY TO CLOSE SEASON
WITH FIRST-EVER REPOSITIONING CRUISE
TO THE CARIBBEAN**

Camden, NJ, July, 2008 – A jolt of summer sunshine will lighten grey November skies this year, as *CruisePhilly* wraps up its 2008 season with a 14-day repositioning cruise to the most popular ports in the Southern Caribbean. On November 1st, Passengers will set sail from Philadelphia on the luxurious *Norwegian Majesty*, calling on Nassau, Aruba, Curacao, St. Thomas, Samana, and Norwegian Cruise Line’s exclusive Bahama island Great Stirrup Cay, before ending the cruise in Charleston, S.C., the winter home for the ship. This will be the *Majesty*’s final sail from Philadelphia this season.

Repositioning cruises have long been one of the best-kept secrets in the cruise industry. Cruise lines frequently offer great bargains on terrific itineraries, in order to move their ships to a new homeport at the end of the season. The only twist for passengers is that they hop a train or flight back home instead of taking the ship. In addition to great prices, repositioning cruises often feature longer trips, including more destinations and significant saving on average per diem costs. Plus, repositioning cruises often take place in late fall, the perfect time for passengers to enjoy a second summer, away from the crowds.

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While in the Southern Caribbean, passengers can enjoy the many shore excursions available at all port stops. The Beach Express tour of Aruba takes guests on a swimming and snorkeling adventure. In St. Thomas, passengers can explore The Coral World, a three-story observatory tower built right into the ocean.

“With the economy the way it is today, many people are looking for the most cost effective ways to spend their vacations,” said John J. Matheussen, CEO of the DRPA, the parent agency of the Port of Philadelphia and Camden. “We’re pleased to offer this repositioning cruise to give regional residents the opportunity to take a leisurely affordable Caribbean cruise.”

“Repositioning cruises offer passengers a second mini-vacation when their cruise ends,” said Kate McNamara, Director of the Port of Philadelphia and Camden. “We have noticed with this cruise, many passengers are opting for a night in Charleston and then taking a leisurely train ride home.”

Prior to the Southern Caribbean repositioning cruise, Norwegian Cruise Line will make nine sailings from the Philadelphia Cruise Terminal in 2008. Beginning on August 30th, the *Majesty* will make five seven-day trips to Bermuda, calling on the picturesque port of St. George. On October 4th, the *Majesty* will begin four weekly trips to Canada/New England, calling on Halifax, Bar Harbor, Bay of Fundy/St. John, and Boston.

The Philadelphia Cruise Terminal is operated by the Port of Philadelphia and Camden, a department of the Delaware River Port Authority. DRPA also owns and operates the Benjamin Franklin, Walt Whitman, Commodore Barry and Betsy Ross bridges, PATCO and the RiverLink Ferry.

For information on cruising from Philadelphia or special pre- and post-cruise packages, visit www.cruisephilly.com or call (856) 968-2052.

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