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ADDARIO FAMILY GIVES \$500,000 FOR NEW SEQUOIA HOSPITAL

Gift Given to Honor Fred Marcus, M.D., Oncologist

REDWOOD CITY, CA- August 11, 2009 – Bonnie and Tony Addario have pledged \$500,000 to help build and equip Redwood City's new Sequoia Hospital. Specifically, the Addario family has made their gift in support of Sequoia's Imaging Center and in honor of oncologist Fred Marcus, M.D.. The gift was made to The New Sequoia Hospital Campaign, which has raised \$7.6 million of its \$20 million goal.

In 2004, Bonnie J. Addario was diagnosed with lung cancer. Not satisfied with the care she was receiving elsewhere, Bonnie turned to Sequoia Hospital, her community hospital. Through the efforts of Dr. Fred Marcus, Sequoia's staff and a unique partnership between Sequoia Hospital and UCSF, Bonnie received the care she so desperately needed and today is living cancer free. Together with her husband Tony, Bonnie has since founded the Bonnie J. Addario Lung Cancer Foundation whose mission is to eradicate Lung Cancer through research, screening, communication, education, prevention and treatment. The Addario's have also started a second foundation - ALCMI - (Addario Lung Cancer Medical Institute) - dedicated to catalyzing and accelerating the discovery, development and delivery of more effective treatment options for Lung Cancer patients. From 2005 to 2009 Bonnie served on the Sequoia Hospital Foundation Board of Directors while Tony has served as chair of the Foundation's Invitational Golf Committee for two years. Sequoia has been further honored as the Addario's son Jared, daughters Andrea and Danielle and their families have become actively involved in Foundation events and campaigns.

"I've welcomed my grandchildren into the world at Sequoia," said Bonnie Addario, "and I've watched as family members received care here in their final days. Sequoia Hospital is a very large part of our family. When I needed help Sequoia was there for me and the calming, compassionate care I received from Dr. Fred Marcus was nothing short of miraculous. Our family is so touched to honor Fred in this way and we look forward to sharing the dedication ceremony of the 'Fred Marcus M.D. Imaging Center' with him."

For more than 30 years, Fred Marcus, M.D. has been an active and highly respected medical oncologist in the San Francisco Bay Area. Dr. Marcus is considered a leader in his field, serving not only on the boards of numerous organizations but also as an academic faculty member for the University of California. During his three decades of practice at Sequoia Hospital, Dr. Marcus has been widely considered a leader within the hospital family.

Sequoia Hospital is building a new hospital at its historic site in Redwood City, at the intersection of Alameda de las Pulgas and Whipple Avenue. The new hospital will be a full-service, 148,000 square foot, four-story building located in the center of the Sequoia campus adjacent to the existing hospital facility.

Two floors of the new hospital, approximately 50% of the entire new hospital, will be dedicated to cardiac and vascular services. Plans for the new hospital also include an inpatient surgery center with two suites designed to accommodate open-heart surgery and a 16-bed intensive care unit. Virtually all of the patient rooms will be private rooms and they will have sleeping accommodations for family members. Key areas of the existing Sequoia Hospital facility will be renovated as part of the new hospital project such as the Emergency Department, the Birthing Center, food services and imaging. When complete, the new Emergency Department will be significantly larger and will feature a separate entrance for trauma and ambulance arrivals.

The plans also call for the relocation of the hospital's main entrance to Whipple Avenue which will create a readily identifiable entrance to the Sequoia campus and greatly improve traffic flow in the surrounding neighborhoods. During construction of the new hospital, there will be no disruption of medical services to the community. Site work began in late 2007 and the new Sequoia Hospital will be completed in 2012.

The projected total cost to build the new Sequoia hospital is \$240 million. This total cost will be met by a collaborative financing plan that calls for \$75 million funded by Catholic Healthcare West, \$75 million from Sequoia Hospital, \$75 million from the Sequoia Healthcare District and \$15 million from philanthropic contributions raised by the Sequoia Hospital Foundation. The Sequoia Hospital Foundation is conducting an area-wide fundraising campaign with a minimum goal of \$20 million - \$15 for the new building and a minimum of \$5 million for cutting-edge medical equipment and technology.

"Bonnie, Tony and the Addario family are tireless advocates for healthcare and we are humbled by their support," observed Deanna Dooley, Chair of the Sequoia Hospital Foundation. *"Our community remains indebted to those who are giving so generously to assure that Sequoia continues to deliver award-winning, world-class care well into the 21st century."*

About the Sequoia Hospital Foundation

Now in its 25th year, the Sequoia Hospital Foundation is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization dedicated to supporting the life-saving mission of Sequoia Hospital. Financial support from individuals, families, foundations and organizations is essential to maintain Sequoia's ability to offer excellent, state-of-the-art services and programs. The Foundation is proud to use 100% of every dollar donated to support patient care and outreach services, programs and facilities to keep our hospital strong and our community healthy. To learn more, please visit www.sequoiahospitalfoundation.org

About Sequoia Hospital

Sequoia Hospital is an accredited, not-for-profit community hospital providing innovative and exceptional healthcare to Bay Area residents. With a nationwide reputation for pioneering advanced cardiac care, Sequoia is designated as a 2009 Blue Distinction Center for Cardiac Care by Anthem-Blue Cross of California and Blue Shield of California. Sequoia also excels in the areas of stroke care, emergency services, and birth center services. Voted "A Family Favorite 2009 Best Hospital" by readers of Bay Area Parent magazine, Sequoia ranks in the top percentile of U.S. hospitals for patient satisfaction and is a leader in quality and safety initiatives. To learn more, please visit: www.sequoiahospital.org