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SEQUOIA HOSPITAL FOUNDATION WELCOMES NEW BOARD MEMBERS AND ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

REDWOOD CITY, CA – July 9, 2014 – The Sequoia Hospital Foundation is pleased to announce the election of Luis Castro, M.D., Mara Giattina, M.D. and Beverly Joyce, M.D. to its Board of Directors. Elections took place at the Foundation’s June meeting, during which current Board member Steven San Filippo was elected to serve as the Board’s new Chairperson and Robert G. O’Donnell was elected as Secretary and Treasurer.

“The elections of our new Board members underscore our Foundation’s continued commitment to supporting Sequoia Hospital’s core patient care programs and to selecting key community leaders to help define and guide our strategic efforts,” observed Gail Rudolph, President of the Sequoia Hospital Foundation. *“Steve’s election as Chairperson provides practical long-term experience as Sequoia transitions into its new Pavilion and readies for the future. With Bob’s financial guidance and business acumen he is positioned well to move into a leadership role on the Foundation’s Board.”*

Luis J. Castro, M.D. has been Sequoia Hospital’s Director of Cardiothoracic Surgery since 2007. Luis is active in the field of clinical and outcomes-based research and quality assurance; he is considered a national leader in valvular heart surgery, and has performed thousands of heart operations at Sequoia Hospital.

Mara Giattina, M.D. is a general cardiologist in practice with Cardiovascular Medicine & Coronary Interventions (CMCI). She practices comprehensive general cardiology with a particular interest in nutrition and cardiac prevention.

Beverly Joyce, M.D. is an OB/GYN with Women’s Care Medical Group and has practiced at Sequoia Hospital for the past 15 years. Dr. Joyce has been actively involved with the Sequoia Hospital Foundation, serving for several years as the Co-Chair of its annual Invitational Golf Tournament and tournament organizing committee.

Steve San Filippo is the Founder and Audit Partner of Sensiba San Filippo, LLC, certified public accountants and business advisors. Steve has served on the Sequoia Hospital Foundation’s Board of Directors and various committees for the past fourteen years, including a previous term as Chair of the Board.

Robert O’Donnell retired in 2011 from his position as a Senior Vice President and Director of Capital Research and Management Company. Bob also serves on the boards of the San Francisco Symphony, the UC Berkeley Endowment Management Company, Summit Public Schools, and the Hoover Institution. He joined the Sequoia Hospital Foundation’s Board of Directors in 2009.

Each new Board member was elected to a three year term. Newly elected Board members’ and officers’ terms began on July 1, 2014.

About the Sequoia Hospital Foundation

For three decades the Sequoia Hospital Foundation, a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization, has remained 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, programs and facilities to keep our hospital strong and our community healthy.

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About Sequoia Hospital

Dignity Health Sequoia Hospital is an accredited, not-for-profit community hospital providing innovative and exceptional health care for generations of Bay Area residents.

Recognized for superior and sustained clinical quality, the hospital received the 2013 America's 50 Best Hospitals Award™ and the 2013 Distinguished Hospital Award for Clinical Excellence™ from Healthgrades®, a leading provider of comprehensive information about physicians and hospitals. Sequoia's Heart and Vascular Institute is a nationally known pioneer in advanced cardiac care. The hospital was voted "A Family Favorite 2013 Best Birth Center and Best Hospital" by readers of *Bay Area Parent* magazine.

Sequoia Hospital's new Pavilion is opening to patients in the coming months. With the addition of the new Pavilion, Sequoia will be one of the most advanced health care facilities in the Bay Area. Overall, the new hospital campus is designed to meet the needs of future generations, carrying on a 60+ year tradition of providing award-winning care to the Bay Area community.

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