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James Clements Named CEO at South Fulton Medical Center

DALLAS – October 27, 2006 – Tenet Southern States announced today that James E. Clements has been named chief executive officer of South Fulton Medical Center, a 338-bed acute care facility located in East Point, Ga. Clements was the hospital’s interim CEO and had previously served as the hospital’s chief financial officer for two years. Clements’ appointment is effective October 30, 2006. He reports to William T. Moore, leader of Tenet’s Atlanta market.

“James is an exceptional hospital leader and has a great deal of experience in hospital management and finance,” said Moore. “He has a solid record of achievement within Tenet and at South Fulton Medical Center. He has established an excellent reputation within the community and among the hospital’s medical staff. I believe his background is well suited for his new role as chief executive.”

“I have greatly enjoyed my experience at South Fulton, and am excited at the opportunity to continue working with our physicians, staff and community to achieve our goal of providing quality care to our patients,” said Clements.

Clements, 46, joined Tenet in 2001. He served as chief financial officer for Spalding Regional Medical Center and Sylvan Grove Hospital before joining South Fulton as its CFO in 2004. Previously,

he was CFO of an international telecommunications company in Atlanta. He also worked in various financial roles at three other healthcare companies.

Clements holds a bachelor of business administration degree from Mercer University in Macon, Ga., and a master's degree in business administration from Georgia State University in Atlanta.

Tenet Southern States, a region of Tenet Healthcare Corporation (NYSE: THC), comprises 12 acute care hospitals and outpatient imaging centers in Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, North Carolina and South Carolina with approximately 2,874 beds and numerous related health care services. The region includes three acute care hospitals in the metropolitan Atlanta area.

Tenet Southern States hospitals include Atlanta Medical Center, Brookwood Medical Center, Central Carolina Hospital, East Cooper Regional Medical Center, Frye Regional Medical Center, Hilton Head Regional Medical Center, North Fulton Regional Hospital, NorthShore Regional Medical Center, Piedmont Medical Center, South Fulton Medical Center, Spalding Regional Medical Center and Sylvan Grove Hospital . Tenet's hospitals aim to provide the best possible care to every patient who comes through their doors, with a clear focus on quality and service. Tenet can be found on the World Wide Web at www.tenethealth.com.

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[NOTE TO EDITORS: A digital photograph of James Clements is available by email on request. Please call Valeria Wilkes in Tenet's Corporate Communications department at (469) 893-6114.]