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John Holland to Lead Tenet's Southern States Region

DALLAS – May 5, 2006 – Tenet Healthcare Corporation (NYSE: THC) announced today that John F. Holland has been named senior vice president in charge of the company's Southern States region, comprised of 10 hospitals in Alabama, Georgia and North and South Carolina.

Holland, who has served as chief executive officer of Tenet's 175-bed North Fulton Regional Hospital near Atlanta since June 1998, will report to Reynold J. Jennings, Tenet's chief operating officer. His office will be at Tenet's headquarters in Dallas.

"John Holland is a creative, energetic hospital executive with broad experience and a keen understanding of our operations in the Southern States," Jennings said. "This region includes many of our most successful hospitals, and I expect them to become even more successful under John's leadership. A key element of John's responsibilities will be developing growth opportunities for Tenet throughout his region."

Tenet is establishing a Southern States region as part of its strategic effort to focus the efforts of its regional managers on growth and business development opportunities by reducing the number of hospitals they individually supervise. Tenet's nine hospitals in Georgia and the Carolinas were formerly part of a larger region that also included nine hospitals in three states of the Midwest and Northeast.

Tenet's sole hospital in Alabama was formerly part of a region that also included Tenet's hospitals in South Florida.

Last month, Tenet restructured its regional management in Florida, with the appointment of Mitch Feldman as market vice president for its six-hospital network in Palm Beach County and Ralph A. Aleman as market vice president of its seven-hospital network in Miami-Dade and Broward counties. Tenet's nine hospitals in Missouri, Tennessee and Pennsylvania will continue to be part of the company's Central-Northeast region, supervised by Senior Vice President Stephen E. Corbeil.

Tenet's Southern States region includes these hospitals:

Alabama: Brookwood Medical Center, 586 beds. Birmingham.

Georgia: Atlanta Medical Center, 460 beds. Atlanta.
North Fulton Regional Hospital, 167 beds. Roswell.
South Fulton Medical Center, 338 beds. East Point.
Spalding Regional Hospital, 160 beds. Griffin.

N. Carolina: Central Carolina Hospital, 137 beds. Sanford.
Frye Regional Medical Center, 355 beds. Hickory.

S. Carolina: East Cooper Regional Medical Center, 100 beds. Mt. Pleasant.
Hilton Head Regional Medical Center, 93 beds. Hilton Head.
Piedmont Medical Center, 288 beds. Rock Hill.

Holland, 49, has worked as a hospital executive with Tenet or its predecessor companies since 1983. Before joining North Fulton Regional Hospital, he served as chief executive officer of East Cooper Regional Medical Center for six years, and as chief executive of West Alabama Hospital in Northport, Ala., for three years. He previously served as chief operating officer of San Dimas Community Hospital in California and as a regional executive with American Medical International, a Tenet predecessor company.

He holds a bachelor's degree in chemistry and a master's degree in health administration, both from the University of North Carolina.

Tenet Healthcare Corporation, through its subsidiaries, owns and operates acute care hospitals and related health care services. 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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