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Tenet Shareholders Elect Nine Directors

DALLAS – May 12, 2006 – Tenet Healthcare Corporation (NYSE: THC) today announced the results of voting at its Annual Meeting of Shareholders, held on May 12, 2006 in Dallas.

A total of 422,180,963 shares were voted in person or by proxy, representing 89.74 percent of total shares outstanding as of the record date of March 15, 2006. Nine directors were elected to one-year terms on the company's board. In addition, shareholders ratified the selection of KPMG LLP as the company's independent registered public accountants for 2006.

Final results, expressed as a percentage of shares voted were as follows:

For directors:

Trevor Fetter	97.79 percent for	2.21 percent withheld
Brenda J. Gaines	97.45 percent for	2.55 percent withheld
Karen M. Garrison	97.81 percent for	2.19 percent withheld
Edward A. Kangas	97.44 percent for	2.56 percent withheld
J. Robert Kerrey	94.37 percent for	5.63 percent withheld
Floyd D. Loop, M.D.	92.07 percent for	7.93 percent withheld
Richard R. Pettingill	93.98 percent for	6.02 percent withheld
James A. Unruh	93.69 percent for	6.31 percent withheld
J. McDonald Williams	97.44 percent for	2.56 percent withheld

For the ratification of KMPG LLP

In favor—97.53 percent	Against—1.91 percent	Abstain—0.56 percent
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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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Some of the statements in this release may constitute forward-looking statements. Such statements are based on our current expectations and could be affected by numerous factors and are subject to various risks and uncertainties discussed in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended Dec. 31, 2005, our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and periodic reports on Form 8-K. Do not rely on any forward-looking statement, as we cannot predict or control many of the factors that ultimately may affect our ability to achieve the results estimated. We make no promise to update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of changes in underlying factors, new information, future events or otherwise.