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Tenet Announces CEO at Fountain Valley Regional Hospital and Medical Center

DALLAS – August 3, 2009 – Tenet Healthcare Corporation (NYSE: THC) today announced the appointment of Debbie L. Walsh as chief executive officer of Fountain Valley Regional Hospital and Medical Center effective Aug. 18, 2009. As CEO, Walsh will oversee strategic, operational and clinical activities for the 400-bed acute care hospital located in Fountain Valley, Calif.

“Debbie is an energetic, visionary leader with a dedicated work ethic,” said Jeffery Flocken, senior vice president of operations for Tenet’s California region. “As an experienced hospital leader who began her career as a nurse, Debbie is well known for her ability to build strong relationships with physicians, employees and communities. Her depth of experience in health care management and direct patient care will be invaluable assets at Fountain Valley.”

Walsh recently served as chief executive officer of USC University Hospital (USCUH) and USC Norris Cancer Center in Los Angeles. She also served in a number of other executive and management roles at USCUH, including chief operating officer, chief nursing officer, associate administrator, administrative director and director of surgical services.

Walsh received her bachelor’s degree in nursing from California State University and her master’s degree in nursing from Azusa Pacific University.

Tenet Healthcare Corporation, through its subsidiaries, owns and operates acute care hospitals and related ancillary health care businesses, which include ambulatory surgery centers and diagnostic imaging centers. Tenet's hospitals and related health care facilities are committed to providing high quality care to patients in the communities they serve. For more information, please visit www.tenethealth.com.

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