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100th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE FORMED AT HALIFAX REGIONAL

ROANOKE RAPIDS, NC (April 10, 2011)—A committee representing the community, the Board of Directors and employees is planning the 100th anniversary celebration of Halifax Regional.

The first Roanoke Rapids Hospital opened in 1912 in a house in the 400 block of Hamilton Street with 10 beds. "Few small communities can claim to have a hospital for 100 years," said Will Mahone, president of Halifax Regional.

"Observing the 100th anniversary of hospital care in our community is a significant activity," said Mahone. "We will spend this year planning activities for the community and the staff to have a year-long celebration of 100 years of hospital care in Roanoke Rapids."

One of the committee's first tasks is developing a history of Halifax Regional and its predecessor hospitals. If anyone in the community has stories and old photos about Halifax Regional, Halifax Memorial Hospital or Roanoke Rapids Hospital to share, please contact Gail Wade at 252 535-8111.

The committee includes several community leaders with close ties to the hospital. Sarah Adams, Sally Pierce, Dee Coburn, Nathanial Ausby, Tony Martin, Kathy White and Peggy Mann are members of the community. Johnny Draper represents the Board of Directors on the committee.

Representing the hospital are Phyllis Burgess, Lauren Carroll, Audrey Hardy, Josie Jones, Amy Joseph, Chris Lehman, Jen Qualls, Lynn Powell and Gail Wade.

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About Halifax Regional

Halifax Regional Medical Center is licensed for 204 beds, including psychiatric and nursery. A non-profit organization, Halifax Regional is fully accredited by the Joint Commission. For more information, visit www.halifaxregional.org.