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HALIFAX REGIONAL TO HONOR DOCTORS

Public and Staff Can Donate to Foundation

ROANOKE RAPIDS, N. C. (March 22, 2010)—Halifax Regional has developed a way for patients and staff to honor physicians as part of the Medical Center's observance of Doctors' Day this year.

Patients and staff have the opportunity to donate money to the Halifax Regional Medical Center Foundation to honor or memorialize a physician. "You can honor physicians who have made a difference in your family by making a tax deductible donation to the Foundation," said Will Mahone, president of Halifax Regional. The minimum contribution is \$5.

Funds will be used to purchase medical equipment for Halifax Regional and to support educational programs at the Medical Center. Doctors who are honored will receive a letter acknowledging gifts.

Contributions can be sent to Halifax Regional Foundation, Post Office Box 1089, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870. Call the Foundation at 252 535-8476 for information.

In addition, Halifax Regional will honor doctors with a breakfast and a small gift on Doctors' Day, March 30. Halifax Regional has approximately 60 physicians on its active medical staff.

"The community is fortunate to have many physicians who are dedicated to the well-being of their patients and who are actively involved in the life of the region," said Mahone. "They make a difference in the health of thousands of people every day, and it is fitting that we recognize them on Doctors' Day."

Doctors' Day is a national observance which began in 1933 in Winder, Ga. Eudora Brown Almond, wife of Dr. Charles B. Almond, decided to set aside a day to honor physicians.

In 1958, a resolution commemorating Doctors' Day was adopted by the United States House of Representatives. Legislation creating National Doctors' Day was signed into law in 1990.

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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.us.