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**Verdugo Hills Hospital's 18th Annual Golf Tournament
for New Capital Equipment for the Community**

(GLENDALE, CA – April 6, 2009) – Verdugo Hills Hospital (VHH) is celebrating its 18th Annual Golf Classic Tournament on Monday, May 11, at Valencia Country Club.

Last year's tournament was sold-out, so get your registration in soon to join us for 18 holes of the greatest game ever played - and for a great cause - new capital equipment. And specifically on the tee is new equipment for our surgeons in the Operating Room (OR).

Leading the Tournament Committee efforts (which includes community members Dave Elliott, Kevin Tsujihara, Drs. John and Terre Osterkamp, Rich Harris, Charlie Mason and Todd Reynolds) is Steve Wilder and Honorary Chair, Dick Cook. Sue Wilder serves as Volunteer Chair.

“I am proud of our talented Tournament Committee’s tireless efforts to ensure another successful year raising funds for Verdugo Hills Hospital. This year guarantees to have seamless play with some added fun to celebrate the greatest game ever played while raising money for our beloved community hospital. We so appreciate everyone’s support to us,” said Dick Cook, Chairman of Walt Disney Studios, Honorary Tournament Chair and Foundation Board member.

“I’ve been involved with the hospital for over 20 years and with the Golf Tournament since its beginning in 1991,” commented Foundation Board and Golf Committee leadership member, Dave Elliott. “This Tournament enables the hospital to raise funds to further our mission toward quality care with a personal touch and specifically, this year, for new capital equipment for our surgeons in the OR to help our patients. We very much appreciate having a top notch community hospital in our backyard dedicated to medical excellence and ask all of our community to help support the Tournament to further our mission.”

“As Tournament Chair, I want to personally thank my committee for all the hard work they are doing for this year’s tournament success! We have some special things planned this year for our 18th Golf Classic and I hope you can join us to both celebrate the greatest

game ever played and to help raise funds to support our community hospital. It is sure to be an exciting and wonderful day for all,” said Steve Wilder, Tournament Chair and Hospital Board member.

Registration opens at 8:30 a.m., with the Tournament play commencing at 10 a.m. Highlights in this year's tournament include the opportunity to play with professional golfers "Beat the Pro" contests and a chance to win a new car and \$10,000 in cash and other prizes in on-course competitions.

As a special nod to the history of golf, participants have the opportunity to dress in their favorite Club-appropriate golf attire, whether it be knickers or Scottish kilt, and will be greeted by our very own resident bagpiper, Dr. Karen McIlvena. And keep an eye out for our special guest mascot who will be standing by to greet you!

Proceeds from the event will go toward the hospital's greatest need, new medical equipment, which helps further VHH's mission of providing quality care to its patients and offering medical excellence with a personal touch. Lead Tournament Sponsors include Eagle Sponsors The Walt Disney Studios and Horizon Health and Birdie Sponsor Technicolor, Inc. Other key sponsors include: CopyR Office Solutions; Foothills Emergency Physicians Medical Group; Charles W. Mason & Associates, Inc.; Caltech Employees Federal Credit Union; Dr Pepper Snapple Group; Cogdell Spencer; MARSH; Delta Health Systems; Steve and Sue Wilder; Professional Business Bank; Medline; The Glenwood Group; Mercer; Aon Corporation; AEO; Thomas and Thomas, LLP; J's Maintenance; Kevin Tsujihara/Warner Bros. Home Entertainment Group; Verdugo Hills Anesthesia Medical Group.

This year's celebration of the greatest game ever played to benefit VHH is introducing a raffle for the first time - and anyone can win! Winners do not need to be present at the Tournament to win - anyone can play and anyone can win! Prizes include \$1500 in cash, \$500 in cash, fine wines, sporting tickets, great experiences and more!

The tournament is always a sell-out event so please reserve your spot today! For more information on the raffle, golf participation or sponsorships, please contact Jennifer Berger at the VHH Foundation at 818.952.2226.

About the Hospital:

Verdugo Hills Hospital is a 158-bed nonprofit primary care facility nestled in the foothills between Glendale and La Cañada Flintridge. Hospital features include Fast-Track emergency services, comprehensive inpatient and outpatient diagnostic and treatment facilities, and a family birthing center. The Hospital also offers surgical services, including bariatric and orthopedic surgeries. It is the only independent, free-standing hospital in the greater Foothills community and was voted “Foothills’ Best Hospital” by readers of the *Glendale News-Press* for five consecutive years. For more information, please visit www.vhhospital.org. For more information about funding initiatives or to support the hospital, please call the Foundation at 818.952.2226.

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