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Michael W. Connors Elected as Hospice of Palm Beach County's New Chairman

West Palm Beach (November 21, 2006)-- Hospice of Palm Beach County's Board of Directors has elected Michael W. Connors, Esq. as Chairman of the Board. Mr. Connors succeeds William E. Yeargin. Mr. Connors, who practices law in North Palm Beach, has been a member of the Board of Directors of Hospice of Palm Beach County for 18 years.

"On behalf of the Board and the entire Hospice of Palm Beach County team, I am proud to continue our work in the community in making sure we're there for all our patients, their families, and caregivers," Connors said.

Michael W. Connors, Esq. is board certified by the Florida Bar as a specialist in the field of Elder Law. He earned his law degree from the University of Florida in 1986. Mr. Connors is a founding member of the Palm Beach County Chapter of the Florida State Guardianship Association. He is past president of the Florida State Guardianship Association, Inc. Mr. Connors has been a volunteer with the Area Agency on Aging Palm Beach/Treasure Coast, Inc., Hope House, Inc., and the Alzheimer's Community Care Association, Inc. He and his wife, Claudette, reside in Tequesta.

The balance of the board includes David Ralicki (Vice Chairman/Treasurer), Phil D. O'Connell, Jr., Esq. (Secretary), David C. Fielding, Judith Giuffrida, Dave McCoy, and Judy Mitchell. Honorary Life Members are John J. Brogan, Mrs. Philip Hulitar, and Mrs. Robert L. Messic.

About Hospice of Palm Beach County: *Hospice of Palm Beach County offers a wide range of services and educational programs designed to meet the special needs of patients and families faced with advanced illness. Expert physical,*

emotional and spiritual care is provided wherever the patient is - the home, skilled nursing or assisted living facility, hospital or hospice inpatient unit, including the C.W. Gerstenberg Hospice Center in West Palm Beach, the Bethesda Memorial Hospice and Palliative Care Unit at Bethesda Memorial Hospital, the Hospice and Palliative Care Unit at Good Samaritan Medical Center, the Hospice and Palliative Care Unit at Palm Beach Gardens Medical Center and the Jay Robert Lauer Hospice and Palliative Care Unit at JFK Medical Center. The organization also offers full bereavement support to Hospice families and anyone in the community in need. Hospice of Palm Beach County's focus is on quality of life. The organization is sensitive to and respectful of religious, cultural and personal beliefs. Contact Hospice of Palm Beach County toll free at 888-848-5200 or visit the website www.hpbc.com for information.

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