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**NATALIE JABLONSKI NAMED INTERIM DIRECTOR OF
PHILANTHROPY AT ST. ELIZABETH'S HOSPITAL**

Belleville - St. Elizabeth's Hospital President and CEO Kevin Shrake announced the appointment of Natalie Jablonski as the Interim Director of Philanthropy for the Department of Development at the hospital on Thursday, July 2, 2009.

Jablonski started at St. Elizabeth's in March of 2006 as the Development Specialist. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Organizational Communication and Masters of Arts in Management. Prior to her tenure at St. Elizabeth's she served as the Director of Community Relations for St. Andrew's Resources for Seniors in St. Louis, Missouri.

Over the past few years she has been instrumental in increasing participation rates for the Friends of St. Elizabeth's Hospital and United

Way Campaign, provided key staff support for a major giving campaign that raised \$2.7 million and organized new fundraising events such as the Teddy Bear Tea Party that generated over \$14,000 to name a few accomplishments.

"This position will be instrumental to St. Elizabeth's Hospital as we look to increase our fundraising efforts to accommodate the many needs of providing health care to our community," said Shrake. "Her passion, high energy and dedication to St. Elizabeth's should be a formula for her continued success."

The Friends of St. Elizabeth's Hospital support the Hospital Sisters' mission of ministering to those in need of healthcare in response to God's call to serve each other, especially the poor. Thanks to the Friends of St. Elizabeth's Hospital, more than \$800,000 has been invested into hospital technology and programs in just the past two years, including the Picture Archival Communications System (PACS) and OB TraceVue™.

"As a life-long resident of Belleville I feel blessed to have this opportunity to serve my community," Jablonski stated. "I look forward to uniting the philanthropic support of our donors with valued healthcare experiences for our patients, families, and our community."

About St. Elizabeth's Hospital St. Elizabeth's Hospital, in Belleville, IL, maintains a Gold Seal of approval from the Joint Commission. The hospital was founded by the Hospital Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis in 1875. Today, we continue their mission: to provide care for the sick and needy with a spirit of respect, care, competence and joy. St. Elizabeth's Hospital provides over \$44 million of uncompensated benefits and services for the poor, elderly, disabled and broader community in general. For more information please contact Kelly Barbeau at 618.234.2120, extension 1270.

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