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Verdugo Hills Hospital Foundation Board Welcomes Two New Members

(GLENDALE, CA – August 30, 2007) – The Verdugo Hills Hospital Foundation Board is pleased to announce the appointment of two new members, Jeff Blake and Kevin Tsujihara, for a three-year term.

"We are so very pleased and excited to have our two newest Board members join us," said Foundation Board chairman Richard Harris. "Jeff Blake and Kevin Tsujihara both bring a commitment to supporting our local community hospital."

Harris said he is very grateful that Blake and Tsujihara are willing to take time away from their busy professional and personal lives to work together with the Foundation Board members. "It is this type of resolve that will make VHH an even greater resource and asset to our community," he said.

"As long time residents of the area, we have always appreciated the tremendous resource the hospital has been to the community and are excited about participating," said Blake.

"Verdugo Hills Hospital is widely recognized and commended for its focus and dedication to the healthcare needs of the local community and I am extremely proud to have an opportunity to serve on its Foundation Board," said Tsujihara.

Blake and Tsujihara both have many years of experience in the entertainment industry.

A resident of La Cañada, Blake began his entertainment career at Paramount in 1974. Since October of 2002, he has served as Vice Chairman of Sony Pictures Entertainment. Blake was also named Chairman of Columbia TriStar Motion Picture Group, Worldwide Marketing and Distribution in September 2005.

Blake was previously President of Worldwide Distribution for Columbia Pictures and has headed the studio's film distribution arm since 1992, overseeing the launch of many number-one motion pictures.

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Blake is a member of the California Bar Association, Vice President of the Motion Picture Pioneers Foundation and a member of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences. He is also a member of the Los Angeles Chapter of Variety Club Children's Charities and was honored with the 1995 Humanitarian Award from the Variety Club of Queens, New York. He holds a bachelor's degree in economics from Northwestern University and a law degree from Whittier College of Law. Blake and his wife, Barbara, have four children, Christopher, Heather, James and Jeffrey.

Tsujihara is the President of Warner Bros. Home Entertainment Group which includes the studio's home video, digital distribution, on-line, wireless, games, anti-piracy and emerging technology operations. He joined Warner Bros. in 1994 and initially worked to refine the company's management of its interest in Six Flags regional theme parks. Following a series of promotions recognizing his forward-focused management successes, he was named Executive Vice President, New Media, with oversight of all of the company's new media endeavors and initiatives. In that post, he retained the responsibilities he carried out as Executive Vice President, Corporate Business Development and Strategy, including identifying and negotiating equity investments on behalf of the studio, as well as for meeting Warner Bros.' growth objectives by acting on business opportunities developing out of changes in the competitive landscape, the marketplace technology and regulation.

Prior to joining Warner Bros. Entertainment, Tsujihara founded QuickTax, Inc., an Internet-based company specializing in electronic tax filing and financial data. Tsujihara received his bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Southern California and his master's degree in business administration from Stanford. Tsujihara and his wife, Sandy, are La Cañada residents and have two children, Matthew and Morgan who attend Palm Crest Elementary School.

The Verdugo Hills Hospital Foundation Board officers include: Richard Harris, chairman; Mindy Stein, vice chair; William Wells, treasurer; and Houry Aposhian, secretary. Other Board members include: Anthony Angelica, Hilyard Barr, William Baribault, Vincent Carabello, Richard Cook, David Elliott, John Genovese, Betty Hurn, Kate Kaneko. Margaret Kean, George Koide, Leonard LaBella, Terre Osterkamp, M.D., Mary Reichley, Jeffrey Smith, Darrell Spence, Katharine Stoeber, Annsley Strong and Mark Sullivan.

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Established in 1974, the Verdugo Hills Hospital Foundation's mission is to raise and manage funds for the benefit of Verdugo Hills Hospital, enabling it to meet the healthcare needs of the Foothill communities. The Foundation Board's goal is to raise \$1.4 million this year toward the purchase of digital mammography equipment, nursing education and state-of-the-art surgical services. For more information about funding initiatives or to support the hospital, please call the Foundation office at 818.952.2226 or visit www.vhhospital.org/foundation_how.asp.

Verdugo Hills Hospital is a 158-bed nonprofit primary care facility nestled in the foothills between Glendale and La Cañada Flintridge. The hospital features all private rooms, 24-hour emergency services, comprehensive inpatient and outpatient diagnostic and treatment facilities, and a family birthing center. It is the only independent, free-standing hospital in the greater Foothills community and was voted "Foothills' Best Hospital" for 2007 by readers of the *Glendale News-Press*. Several physicians on staff also received recognition as the best in the community, including: Dr. Scott W. Beeve, Foothills' Best Ophthalmologist; Dr. Allan W. Perry, Jr., Foothills' Best Plastic Surgeon; Dr. Richard L. Rupp, Foothills' Best Podiatrist; Dr. William F. Schubert, Foothills' Best Family Physician; Dr. Jane S. Wada, Foothills' Best Dermatologist; and Dr. Ronald D. Woodard, Foothills' Best Obstetrician/Gynecologist. For more information, please visit www.vhhospital.org.

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