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Pardee Names House As Permanent CFO

(Hendersonville, NC) Pardee Hospital announced Wednesday that Alan House agreed to remain with the Henderson County medical facility in his position as Chief Financial Officer, which he had originally accepted as an interim position.

“We are very pleased that Alan has become a permanent associate today as Pardee’s Chief Financial Officer,” said Jon Schurmeier, president and CEO of Pardee Hospital. “In his short time here, Alan and his staff have altered practices, refined contract pricing, eliminated wasteful arrangements, and in general, saved or generated resources that have made a major contribution to the changes that got our organization back on track during 2006.”

House has 29 years of professional experience, with 23 of those years in the healthcare industry. He came to Pardee after a successful eight-year stint as vice-president of Accounting and Finance with Akron General Health System in Akron, Ohio, which generated \$1.2 billion in gross revenues and included two community hospitals, a nursing home, a home health care agency, and a 537-bed tertiary hospital.

“When I came to Pardee 13 months ago, I was greeted by a couple of things: a hospital that was in the process of working through several years of difficulties, and a team of people who were bound and determined to help make it whole again,” House said. “The team included the entire health system, the Board and all of the community. The thirteen months have literally flown by, and under the leadership and direction of Jon Schurmeier, we have come a long way in

restoring the trust and confidence of our community in this great hospital. I am so glad to be part of this team and this wonderful town.”

House earned his bachelor of science in Business Administration with a major in Accounting from Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio, and was certified as a public accountant in 1980.

Pardee Hospital is a not-for-profit community hospital founded in 1953. The main hospital is licensed for 222 acute care beds and is the second largest employer in Henderson County. The hospital has several locations separate from the main campus, including a 130-bed nursing facility, an adult day services center, a health education center in the Blue Ridge Mall, home care services, a sports therapy and rehabilitation facility on Thompson Street, a midwifery program, various family and internal medicine practices, and an urgent care facility. Pardee is a recipient of the 2006 HealthGrades Distinguished Hospital Award for Clinical Excellence, placing the hospital among the top 5 percent of hospitals in the U.S. for quality of care. More information is available at www.pardeehospital.org.

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