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Jan Boycott to Lead Capital Campaign for Diagnostic Imaging Equipment

Northumberland County – With the 8 tonne magnet – the “heart” of Northumberland Hills Hospital’s new Magnetic Resonance (MR) imaging service -- scheduled for delivery later this month, the Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation is pleased to announce that Jan Boycott will lead the fundraising campaign to raise the necessary capital dollars to pay for this vital diagnostic device and more.

Born and raised in Cobourg, Jan attended both C.R. Gummow Public School and C.D.C.I. East. After moving from the area in 1976 to pursue post-secondary education at Queen’s University, Jan returned to the County in 2000 and now resides in Port Hope with her husband Rob Boycott and their two teenage sons. Jan is a partner in the investment firm Raymond James Ltd., located in Cobourg.

Jan is no stranger to community service. Her father, the late Jeff Rolph, was instrumental in many community fundraising campaigns including the campaign to build the YMCA Northumberland, the C. Gordon King Centre and the Jack Heenan Arena.

“I consider it a privilege to be involved with this important community initiative” says Jan. “I will always be grateful to the Hospital staff for the care they provided to my dad prior to his death in 2005. This is one way I can give back to help ensure essential medical services are available to the people of west Northumberland. I’m particularly excited about an MR service being available right here in our area.”

Jan’s community involvement and volunteerism is extensive. Together with her husband Rob, Jan co-chaired the United Way Campaign for the Port Hope area in 2002. She is the past president of the Rotary Club of Port Hope and the past co-chair of the Habitat for Humanity Women Build in Port Hope. Jan co-chaired the Hospital Foundation’s Gala in both 2006 and 2007.

The Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation has accepted the responsibility to raise the necessary capital funds to pay for the new MR equipment and other enhancements necessary to keep the Hospital’s Diagnostic Imaging department at the leading edge of current technology. Campaign planning is now moving forward, and under Jan’s leadership, a team of community volunteers will soon start meeting with the Hospital’s closest supporters.

Renovations to the area where the MR will be located have been underway since August. The new service will begin its first scans this fall.

For more information on the Diagnostic Imaging services offered at NHH, including the soon-to-arrive MR, please visit the Patient Services section of the Hospital's Web site at www.nhh.ca. For more information on the new capital campaign, or to arrange an interview with Jan Boycott, call Rhonda Cunningham, Executive Director of the Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation, at (905) 377-7767 or rcunningham@nhh.ca.