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Memorial Health Announces New Chief Executive Officer

Savannah, GA (February 15, 2023) – Memorial Health is pleased to announce Bradley (Brad) S. Talbert, FACHE as its new Chief Executive Officer. He will start in early March, taking over for Shayne George, who will retire on March 31.

“Brad Talbert is a seasoned healthcare leader who has built a strong culture for our colleagues and physicians at HCA Florida Memorial Hospital,” said Hugh Tappan, President of HCA Healthcare’s South Atlantic Division. “I’m confident Brad is the right leader to support and guide our Memorial Health team forward.”

Talbert joined HCA Healthcare in 2017 as CEO of the 454-bed HCA Florida Memorial Hospital in Jacksonville, FL. Under his leadership, the hospital achieved its highest physician engagement in more than a decade, earned five consecutive Leapfrog A quality ratings, was named a Healthgrades Top 250 Hospital and became the first hospital in Northeast Florida to achieve Total Hip and Total Knee Replacement Certification by The Joint Commission. The hospital also earned Level II Trauma accreditation, launched ECMO services, and completed more than \$100M in capital expansions and investments. Prior to joining HCA Healthcare, Talbert was CEO at two Tenet Health hospitals in SC.

Brad serves as Board Chairman of the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce and on the Board of Directors for the Jacksonville Port Authority (JAXPORT). He was named to the Florida 500 List of Most Influential Executives by Florida Trend magazine for the second consecutive year.



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“I am excited to have the opportunity to join the Memorial Health team as their CEO,” said Talbert. “Memorial Health is an outstanding healthcare system. I’m impressed with the high-quality care that this team delivers to hundreds of patients every day and I look forward to leading and supporting this team of physicians, nurses and clinicians.”

Originally from the Carolinas, Talbert earned his bachelor’s degree in Finance at Wofford College in Spartanburg, SC, and his master’s degree in Health Administration at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston, SC.

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Memorial Health has provided quality healthcare services since 1955, giving patients access to highly trained physicians and advanced technology. Our 655-bed hospital is one of the region’s leading acute care facilities, serving 35 counties in southeast Georgia and southern South Carolina. Located in Savannah, Georgia, we are a regional referral center for heart care, cancer care, trauma care, children’s care, high-risk pregnancies and high-risk newborn care. Our hospital includes the region’s only Level I trauma center, the Memorial Health Dwaine & Cynthia Willett Children’s Hospital of Savannah, a primary and specialty care physician network and Consult-A-Nurse®, our 24-hour call center. We also have a major medical education program that trains physicians in numerous specialties and our campus is home to the Savannah Campus of Mercer University School of Medicine.



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