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ILLINOIS HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION ELECTS NEW BOARD

*--Jim Skogsbergh, Advocate Health Care's
President and CEO to Lead 2008 Board --*

Naperville, Ill. – The Illinois Hospital Association (IHA) elected new board officers at its annual meeting held Sept. 6-7 in Galena.

Jim Skogsbergh, president and chief executive officer of Advocate Health Care in Oak Brook, succeeds **Gary Barnett** as chair of the Board of Trustees. Barnett is president and chief executive officer of Sarah Bush Lincoln Health System in Mattoon. Skogsbergh's one-year term begins on Jan. 1, 2008, as do the terms of the other new board officers.

IHA's bylaws require the voting members to elect a chair-elect, secretary and treasurer of the association annually. **Harry Wolin**, administrator, chief executive officer of Mason District Hospital in Havana, was chosen chair-elect. He will replace Skogsbergh when his term expires on Dec. 31, 2008. **Patrick Magoon**, president and chief executive officer of Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago, was elected secretary and **William Leaver**, president and chief executive officer of Trinity Regional Health System in Rock Island, was elected as treasurer.

In addition, the following were elected to the board for three-year terms as at-large trustees:

- **Nancy Newby, Ph.D.**, President and CEO, Washington County Hospital, Nashville;

- **Dean Harrison**, President and CEO, Northwestern Memorial HealthCare, Chicago; and
- **Barbara Martin**, CEO, Vista Medical Center East, Waukegan.

Re-elected to the board for three-year terms as at-large trustees were:

- **Alan Channing**, President and CEO, Sinai Health System, Chicago;
- **James Hayes**, President and CEO, Greenville Regional Hospital; and
- **Gary Kaatz**, President and CEO, Rockford Memorial Hospital.

The Illinois Hospital Association, with offices in Naperville and Springfield, represents 200 hospitals and health systems and the patients and communities they serve.

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