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Heritage Ministries Announces Acquisition

David Smeltzer, President and CEO of Heritage Ministries, announced today that Rolling Fields Elder Care Community of Conneautville, Pennsylvania has been acquired by Heritage Ministries and its affiliates.

Rolling Fields Elder Care Community was founded in 1968 when Duane and Marlene Braham purchased the property and facilities of a senior care home from Mr. Elwood Heaster. The home was originally dedicated in 1921 as the Ida M. Cribb's Memorial Home by the Methodist Episcopal Church. The Brahams have dedicated their lives to the service of elders and constructed the current facility in 1979 as a 121 bed facility. In 1995, a 60 bed addition was constructed resulting in the current 181 bed facility which also offers on-site childcare services for employee care partners and the community, as well as outpatient rehabilitation. The property also includes 4 independent living retirement residences.

Heritage Ministries was founded as the Orphanage and Homes of the Free Methodist Church in 1886 and has grown from its original campus in Gerry, NY to six locations in New York with additional affiliations in the states of Washington and Illinois.

With this acquisition, Heritage and its affiliates will have assets in excess of \$132 million, will employ approximately 1,400 team members, and will serve over 2,400 individuals yearly. As a not-for-profit provider of senior care and housing, Heritage is a leader in the industry, and this acquisition will serve to strengthen that position.

Heritage and its affiliates provide rehabilitation and skilled nursing services, independent retirement housing, and assisted living. In addition, childcare is provided at two campuses allowing for intergenerational programs. Current locations are The Park (Jamestown, NY); The Green (Greenhurst, NY); The Village and The Homestead (Gerry, NY); The Woodlands and Orchard Grove Residences (West Ellicott, NY); Vinecroft Retirement Community (Clarence Center, NY); The Kenney (Seattle, WA); and Hearthstone Communities (Woodstock, IL). Additionally, Heritage Living at the Chautauqua Mall in Lakewood, NY serves the community by providing an easy-access location for area seniors and their families to get answers to questions about the evolving needs of seniors and employment opportunities.

President and CEO, David Smeltzer, stated: "We are excited about the opportunity to continue the great legacy of Duane and Marlene Braham and their family who dedicated their lives to providing the highest quality of care and services to elders in Conneautville and the surrounding communities. It is their focus on providing person-centered care with a commitment to excellence that attracted Heritage to this acquisition. We are grateful to Kim Braham-Moody and her family for trusting Heritage with their legacy. Heritage is committed to providing the very best care to the elders, children, their families, and the community. We are also committed to the great group of care-partners (employees) who work at Rolling Fields, and we welcome them to the Heritage family. "



Kim Braham-Moody states, "I am very excited to have worked with Heritage and especially David in making this opportunity a reality. Heritage - with their expanding resources - will bring new opportunities into the community we have cared about for so many years. Rolling Fields has been dedicated to offering the best personalized, elder centered care in our area. Heritage with historically deep roots into their communities, appreciates the trust and respect it takes to build truly unique elder care.

I am certain that this venture will only benefit both organizations and know that our family is leaving our legacy in very capable hands!"

Heritage VP of Skilled Nursing Operations, Jeff Ondrey, will serve as the administrator of record for Rolling Fields while conducting a search for a qualified administrator.

The acquisition of Rolling Fields is one in a list of many acquisitions, expansions, and affiliations that have occurred in the Heritage system. In 1995, The Green and Park facilities were purchased out of bankruptcy making Heritage the largest provider of rehab and skilled nursing services in Chautauqua County, NY. In 2012, Heritage expanded through a construction project which saw the addition of The Woodlands and Orchard Grove Residences in the Town of Ellicott, NY. In 2013, Vinecroft Retirement Community of Clarence Center, NY affiliated with Heritage and then again in 2015 Heritage expanded with the affiliation of The Kenney, a retirement community in Seattle, WA. The most recent addition to the Heritage family was the affiliation of Hearthstone Communities, another Free Methodist based retirement community, in Woodstock, IL. The expansion and growth at Heritage brings financial stability through shared overhead and revenue diversity. It has also increased the number of staff employed by Heritage locally in Chautauqua County.