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JUPITER MEDICAL CENTER BOARD ANNOUNCES COURIS AS NEW CEO

JUPITER, Fla. –The Jupiter Medical Center Board of Trustees today announced that John D. Couris has been selected as the hospital's new Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Couris, 42, will join JMC in mid-June. He currently serves as chief operating officer and administrator for Morton Plant North Bay Hospital in Tampa. He brings 17 years of health care leadership experience to his new role, including seven years at Massachusetts General Hospital.

Barrie Godown, chairman, JMC Board of Trustees, said, "John Couris' experience and accomplishments are a very good fit with JMC as we look to the future. He has led a hospital expansion program, developed strategic growth opportunities, and has tremendous knowledge and a track record in growing and operating a large outpatient services network." He noted that the new CEO was selected from among 25 candidates from across the country.

"The opportunity to join Jupiter Medical Center is a real privilege," said Couris. "JMC is known for its clinical excellence and its commitment as the community's not for profit healthcare provider. Building on this culture, I look forward to my role, working with the Board, hospital employees and physicians to position JMC for a successful future."

Couris joined Morton Plant Mease Health Care in 2000 as Vice President, Ambulatory Care and Medical Imaging for the Tampa Bay area and in 2006 became COO of the 122-bed hospital. During his tenure, he oversaw a \$49 million expansion that doubled the size of the campus. He led dramatic improvements in profitability, developed several successful joint ventures, improved patient satisfaction scores, and developed new ambulatory facilities throughout the Tampa Bay market. Before relocating to Tampa, he held several executive positions at Massachusetts General, consistently ranked among the nation's top 5 hospitals.

He earned a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology at Boston University and a Masters of Science in Management at Lesley University, and is an active community member. In the Tampa area, Couris

served on the Board of Directors of the Susan Komen Foundation – Florida Sun Coast, the Board of Gulfside Regional Hospice, the Foundation Board of Pasco Hernando Community College, and is a member of Rotary.

Mr. Couris, his wife Dianne and their two children will reside in the Jupiter area.

About Jupiter Medical Center

A not-for-profit 283-bed community Medical Center consisting of 163 private acute care hospital beds and 120 long-term care beds, Jupiter Medical Center provides a broad range of services, with specialty concentrations in orthopaedics, long-term care, minimally invasive vascular procedures, cancer care and advanced diagnostics. Jupiter Medical Center is affiliated with the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, and is currently in the midst of a major, multi-year growth plan which includes a Heart & Vascular Center, new patient rooms, and a certified stroke center. The Medical Center has approximately 1,500 employees, 490 physicians and 700 volunteers.

For more information about the services available at Jupiter Medical Center, please call (561) 747-2234 or visit www.jupitermed.com.

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John David Couris
President and Chief Executive Officer, Jupiter Medical Center

