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McLean Foundation Announces \$1,000,000 Investment in Local Health Care
*Expansive renovations of patient care areas and expansion of cancer care planned
at Providence Redwood Memorial Hospital and Providence St. Joseph Hospital*

Eureka, Calif. (September 10, 2021) – The McLean Foundation and Providence Redwood Memorial Foundation (PRMF) today announced a partnership for major investment in health care in the Eel River Valley with a gift of \$1,000,000. Most of this commitment from the McLean Foundation will go towards the planning and renovation of patient care areas at Providence Redwood Memorial Hospital and will also support expanded cancer care at Providence St. Joseph Hospital Eureka. This lead gift for the Centennial Campaign will begin with renovation of the MedSurg Unit and support planning for a new Intensive Care Unit at Redwood Memorial Hospital (RMH).

Directly benefiting patient care, \$875,000 of this investment will go solely to Redwood Memorial Hospital. With recognition of the importance of superb cancer care to the Eel River Valley and all of Humboldt County, the remainder of the gift will go to the development of a new Cancer Care Center at Providence St. Joseph Hospital.

In honor of the McLean Foundation’s incredible commitment to Redwood Memorial Hospital, the MedSurg unit will be renamed the “Mel & Grace McLean Unit for Medical Surgical Care.”

This gift is a major contribution to the Centennial Campaign, a 5-year, \$25M fundraising effort to transform health care on the North Coast; funding advancements in technology, treatment, and facilities at both Providence hospitals, and increasing access to primary care in Humboldt.

This is the latest gift from the McLean Foundation and expands on their legacy of giving in Humboldt County. Over the years, they have granted close to \$3.5 million to Providence (formerly St. Joseph Health) in Humboldt, including more than \$2 million to new construction, \$100,000 to the Family Medicine Residency Program in Eureka, and more than \$200,000 to the Redwood Memorial Benefit Ball.

“This is an investment with incredible benefits to our entire community, and The McLean Foundation is proud to partner with Providence in their continued commitment to Redwood Memorial and the good health of residents on the North Coast,” says Dennis Scott, president of the McLean Foundation.

Providence is committed to Redwood Memorial Hospital, its caregivers, and patients. RMH provides important services to the Eel River Valley and beyond, including Emergency, General Surgery, Orthopedics, Ophthalmology, ENT, the Rural Health Clinic, and upon completion, an Inpatient Acute Rehabilitation Unit that will serve all of Northern California.

“I cannot overstate the importance of Redwood Memorial continuing to serve the health care needs of our community,” says Roberta Luskin-Hawk, M.D., chief executive, Providence in Humboldt. “We are excited about the improvements and will continue to look for new ways to enhance services at Redwood Memorial now and in the future. The McLean foundation is an incredible community partner, and we couldn’t be more grateful for their support.”

Providence (formerly St. Joseph Health) is committed to meeting the highest standards in health care delivery while ministering to the needs of the whole person – body, mind and spirit. This commitment to the people of the North Coast is expressed in the Providence’s five core values – Compassion, Dignity, Excellence, Justice and Integrity. In Humboldt County, Providence offers a comprehensive network of specialty care and services including a Level III Trauma Center, Level II Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, and a Cancer Center Accredited by the Commission on Cancer. The health care ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange began in Humboldt County during the flu epidemic of 1918.