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Dosher to Honor Organ Donors and Promote the Mission of Organ Donation at Hospital Event

SOUTHPORT— Dosher Memorial Hospital is among dozens of hospitals that will partner with HonorBridge on Wednesday April 6th to simultaneously hold a statewide Donate Life flag raising ceremony and moment of silence. This event promotes the mission of organ, eye, and tissue donation and honors donors, donor families, recipients, and those waiting for a life-saving transplant in North Carolina. The **Pause to Give Life** event will be held outside the hospital front entrance on April 6th and will commence with a flag raising ceremony at 10:08 am followed by a moment of silence for 30 seconds to honor organ donors and their families. The time of 10:08 highlights that one donor can save eight lives, and the 30 second moment of silence recognizes that over 3,000 patients are waiting for a life-saving organ transplant in North Carolina.

Following the flag raising event, an HonorBridge community outreach representative will be available at a table at the hospital front entrance until 1:00 pm to share information on organ donation and to register those interested in becoming an organ donor.

Lynda Stanley, President and CEO of Dosher says, "We appreciate the vital work of our organ donation partners HonorBridge and the life-saving decision our community members make when they commit to becoming a donor. We invite local residents to join us on April 6th to be a part of this commemorative and educational event."

About Dosher

Dosher Memorial Hospital of Southport is a critical access hospital serving Smithville Township and the surrounding areas. In addition to an emergency department and a 25-bed patient care unit, Dosher operates a network of medical and surgical services in our local area which includes five primary care clinics, a Convenient Care, a general surgery practice, and a women's health clinic, with other major service lines including orthopedics, pain management,

cardiac rehab, speech and physical therapy, and hyperbaric wound care. For more information on hospital services, visit our website at Dosher.org.

About HonorBridge

HonorBridge, formerly known as Carolina Donor Services, is the federally designated not-for-profit procurement organization serving 7.5 million people in 77 counties in North Carolina and Pittsylvania County in Virginia. HonorBridge is devoted to building connections that save and heal lives through organ and tissue donation with offices in Durham, Greenville, and Winston Salem. In North Carolina, over 3,000 people are currently waiting for organ transplants, and nationally, over 100,000 people are on the organ waiting list. For more information, visit HonorBridge.org or call 1-800-200-2672.

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