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**Trinity announces \$250K gift from Advanced Radiology for Heart Center/ED expansion**

UnityPoint Health – Trinity officials broke ground on their new Heart Center/ED expansion on Wednesday, June 5. Along with the ceremonial shovel and hard hat ceremony, officials received welcome news: Advanced Radiology in Moline has made a major gift of \$250,000 to the project's capital campaign. With the pledge, Trinity now sits at the halfway point for the community fundraising portion of the project.

"The entire team at Advanced Radiology is proud of what is happening at Trinity. This is an important project that will benefit tens of thousands of patients each and every year, and we wanted to make it clear that our medical practice recognizes, appreciates and supports excellent healthcare," said Dr. Pranav Patel, radiologist with Advanced Radiology. "It is heartening to see the community rallying around this project. It is Advanced Radiology's honor to stand at the center of what is happening here, so we are happy to make this financial commitment."

Trinity administration, board members, community leaders, government officials, design/build team crew and support staff from cardiac, ED and the Robert Young Center gathered to hear the news and officially mark the start of major work to come on the expansion of its Heart Center and Emergency department (ED).

"We have seen a major outpouring of support for this," said Trinity Health Foundation President Marika Jones. "People recognize that this project is not just good for the hospital but good for the community. With their commitment Advanced Radiology has stepped forward and taken a leadership role among our area's physicians. We are so grateful for their support."

On Tuesday, March 26, the Illinois Facilities and Planning Review Board unanimously approved Trinity's certificate of need application for the building of a 90,000 square-foot, three-story expansion of its Heart Center and emergency department (ED) at Trinity Rock Island. Construction crews already are preparing the site with plans to begin major construction in June 2013. Construction is expected to be complete by summer 2015.

Located at the front of the hospital, the \$61.3 million construction expansion is the largest in the facility's history. The expansion is designed to improve patient safety and privacy, better coordinate care, reduce operational costs and accommodate increased demand.

The project is being funded through a combination of internal reserves and borrowing through Trinity's parent company, UnityPoint Health. The Trinity Health Foundation also is conducting a capital campaign to support the expansion as well.

Navigant Healthcare, one of the country's top-ranked healthcare management consulting firms, has assisted Trinity in retaining the design services of Cannon Design, a nationally recognized healthcare design firm, who is working in partnership with Gere Dismar Architects of Rock Island and Paragon Commercial Interiors of Davenport. Additionally, the engineering for the project is being provided by Rock Island firms KJWW Engineering and Missman Engineering. Pepper Construction, a national builder, along with Russell Construction, a local Quad-Cities construction firm, have formed a joint venture and were chosen as the general contractor for constructing the expansion in partnership with local trade contractors.