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NAME: NHC HEALTHCARE/STUART, LLC

EFFECTIVE DATE:

XX ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
 CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

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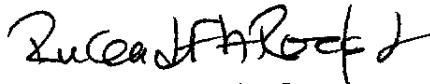
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Re: Consent for Use of Name
NHC HEALTHCARE/STUART, LLC

Dear Madam or Sir:

The undersigned, on behalf of NHC HEALTHCARE/STUART, INC., a Florida corporation (the "Corporation"), does hereby consent to the use of the name "NHC HEALTHCARE/STUART, LLC" (the "LLC"), by the sole member named in the LLC's Articles of Organization.

Sincerely,



Richard F. LaRoche, Jr.
*Vice President of NHC HealthCare/
Stuart, Inc.*

**ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION
OF
NHC HEALTHCARE/STUART, LLC**

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1. Name. The name of this limited liability company is NHC HEALTHCARE/STUART, LLC, a Florida limited liability company (the "Company").

2. Duration. The Company shall have perpetual existence, commencing upon the date of filing of these Articles of Organization with the Florida Department of State, unless these Articles of Organization or the operating agreement of the Company provide otherwise.

3. Purpose. The Company is organized for the purpose of transacting all lawful activities and businesses that may be conducted by a limited liability company under the laws of Florida.

4. Place of Business. The mailing and street address of the Company's principal office is 800 SE Central Parkway, Stuart, Florida 34994.

5. Registered Agent and Office. The name of the initial registered agent of the Company is John H. Rains, III. The street address of the initial registered agent of the Company is 201 North Franklin Street, Suite 2200, Tampa, Florida 33602.

6. Additional Members. Additional members to the Company may be admitted, but only upon the unanimous consent of all members of the Company at the time admission is sought.

7. Termination of Membership. Upon the death, retirement, resignation, expulsion, bankruptcy or dissolution of a member or upon the occurrence of any other event which terminates the continued membership of a member in the Company, the Company shall be dissolved unless all remaining members agree in writing to continue the business of the Company.

8. Management of the Company. The management of the Company is reserved to the members. The Company shall initially be managed by its sole member, NHC/OP, L.P., which is located at 100 Vine Street, Murfreesboro, Tennessee 37130.

The undersigned executed these Articles of Organization on the 1 day of ^{October}~~September~~, 1999.

SOLE MEMBER:

NHC/OP, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership

By: NHC/Delaware, Inc.,
a Delaware corporation,
Its General Partner

By: Richard F. LaRoche, Jr.
Richard F. LaRoche, Jr.
Vice President

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named Registered Agent and designated to accept service of process for the within-named Company, at the place designated herein, and being familiar with the obligations of that position, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties.

Dated: 22 8/1, 1999

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John H. Rains, III