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## **New Liberty Hospital Corporation to Purchase Ownership Interest in Norterre**

LIBERTY, MO. (September 14, 2018) – The Liberty Hospital Board of Trustees approved the purchase of the ownership interests held by Action Pact Holdings, LLC, and Healthy Living Centers of America, LLC, in Norterre, a multigenerational community featuring a healthy living center, skilled nursing, long-term care, memory support and rehabilitation.

“This purchase has been part of the planning for this project since its inception in 2015,” said David Feess, President and CEO of Liberty Hospital. “As we move forward with Norterre, our goal is to continue to build on this innovative project and create a seamless continuum of care for our patients. Our patients are our passion and priority; that’s a common thread between Liberty Hospital and Norterre, and together we can make this happen.”

“The purchase of Norterre by New Liberty Hospital Corporation demonstrates their deep commitment to the innovation and its future in the broader health system,” added Steve Shields, CEO of Norterre and Action Pact. “We are honored to have introduced the Norterre model. It will change the landscape of healthcare and aging in the Northland forever.”

The ownership transfer is effective September 30, 2018. Action Pact Holdings will continue to manage the campus until November 30, 2018, at which time, New Liberty Hospital Corporation will assume management. No services are planned to change during this transition period.

Norterre has three components:

- The Aurora Health and Wellness Center, having nearly 4,000 members;
- The Laurel at Norterre, an assisted living and memory support community; and,
- The Estoria at Norterre, featuring rehabilitation, skilled nursing, and a long-term care community.

“We owe a great deal of gratitude to Steve Shields, Norterre and Action Pact CEO, and Jon Garnaas, Co-Principal of Healthy Living Centers of America, for taking this project from vision to reality. Liberty Hospital will move forward with this vision to build on the work, grow the culture developed, and continue innovation in care delivery to benefit residents, patients and members.”

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*The mission of Liberty Hospital is to work in partnership with our community to improve the health and well-being of those we serve. Founded in 1974, Liberty Hospital is a public hospital and is a political subdivision district hospital under Chapter 206 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri. It is governed by a six-member, publicly elected board of trustees who serve six-year terms. More than 1,600 employees and 350 physicians deliver compassionate, high-quality care using the latest technology and a full range of services. For more information, visit [www.libertyhospital.org](http://www.libertyhospital.org) or call 816-781-7200.*