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STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

The Graduate Medical Education Department (GME) at Methodist Health System (MHS) has, as its mission, the education and professional development of physicians in the provision of high quality, compassionate, evidence-based health care to our community.

The primary mission of MHS is to improve and save lives through compassionate, quality health care, with the vision to be the trusted choice for health and wellness. MHS's core values reflect its historic commitment to the Christian concepts of life and learning:

- Servant Heart – compassionately putting others first
- Hospitality – offering a welcoming and caring environment
- Innovation – courageous creativity and commitment to quality
- Noble – unwavering honesty and integrity
- Enthusiasm – celebration of individual and team accomplishment
- Skillful – dedicated to learning and excellence

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MHS and its Board of Directors have long felt that sponsoring GME programs assists MHS in meeting its mission by strengthening MHS's reputation and the specialty services offered, stimulating a professional environment that provides for continued improvement in medical care, attracting and helping to retain excellent medical staff and the community's health care force with young graduates who desire a reputable place to practice their medical skills after completion of their residency and/or fellowship training. MHS's commitment to GME further enables physicians to use and strengthen their skills with support from: competent management teams; harmonious teams of well-qualified personnel; modern facilities; a productive professional environment that benefits physicians and their patients; and a medical staff organization that is committed to high standards of medical care.

As a Sponsoring Institution, MHS strives to maintain a scholarly environment in which ethical and professional development may occur and in which ACGME directed education curricular requirements are met. To this end, MHS will strive to commit to supporting its GME programs by providing sufficient educational, financial, clinical, and human resources to permit the institution and its training programs to comply with the Institutional and Program Requirements established by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) and The Fellowship Council. To accomplish this, MHS will strive to provide effective GME leadership and maintain an organizational structure committed to medical education. As part of its efforts to maintain such an environment, MHS will assure regular assessment of its GME programs through the periodic review and actions of its Corporate Medical Board. MHS will appoint a Designated Institutional Official (DIO) who is charged with the authority and responsibility for oversight and assurance of compliance with the Institutional and Program Requirements established by ACGME and the Fellowship Council. MHS will strive to provide sufficient communication resources and technical support to the DIO, GME staff, program directors, faculty, residents, and fellows.

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