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State to break ground on new hospital September 3

WHAT: New Oregon State Hospital Groundbreaking Ceremony

WHEN: Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2008
10:30 a.m.

WHERE: 2600 Center Street NE, Salem
Oregon State Hospital grounds south of Center Street

DETAILS: Under the leadership of the Governor and Senate President, the 2007 Oregon Legislature authorized \$458.1 million to build two new state-operated psychiatric facilities: a 620-bed facility in Salem and a 360-bed facility in Junction City. The Salem facility is scheduled to open in 2011 and the Junction City facility in 2013. Both sites will be modern psychiatric treatment and recovery facilities designed for up-to-date psychiatric practices. They will be structured, along with a strengthened community mental health system, to support healing, recovery and a return to successful community living.

Featured speakers at the September 3 event are Gov. Ted Kulongoski, Senate President Peter Courtney, DHS Director Bruce Goldberg, M.D., and Salem Mayor Janet Taylor. Attendees will include advocates, historical

preservationists, neighborhood associations, policymakers, OSH stakeholders, OSH patients and OSH staff.

This event will take place outdoors on the Oregon State Hospital grounds. Guides will be available to help direct visitors to designated parking and viewing areas. Seating will be available, as well as tents in the event of rain. Visitors attending the groundbreaking are reminded to wear shoes and clothing appropriate for a late summer event.

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