

# News Release

## Catholic Eldercare President & CEO Mary Broderick Announces Retirement

### Caps Successful Decade of Senior Care Leadership

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**Minneapolis** – Catholic Eldercare President and Chief Executive Officer Mary Broderick, R.N., Ph.D. will retire at the end of 2008, capping a successful 50 year career in nursing, health professions education, and healthcare leadership that further enhanced the organization as a quality senior care provider.

A comprehensive, professional search will get underway in early April. The Catholic Eldercare board of directors will name a new President/CEO in early October.

“I have been so fortunate to be part of this remarkable, quality organization that serves individuals and families in such a loving, dignified way,” Broderick said. “It’s a wonderful gift to be able to tune in with the residents and their families for this portion of life’s journey. It has been a beautiful experience, and a special blessing as my husband and I begin to deal with our own aging.”

“I retire knowing the organization is in wonderful hands, given the depth of expertise, compassion, and leadership found in Catholic Eldercare’s staff, board members, volunteers, and friends. Our goal has always been to create a community where elders are well cared for and allowed to thrive and contribute, in a comfortable home where life is to be lived fully. I know that will only continue and grow.”

Broderick was recruited to lead Catholic Eldercare in 1999 by Al Hofstede and other co-founders. In Broderick they found a skilled nurse and an experienced, dedicated leader with an eye for detail, a compassion for seniors, and high expectations for a quality staff working in a field that requires abundant doses of patience, kindness, and compassion.

Prior to joining Catholic Eldercare, she spent 33 years at St. Mary's Junior College and the College of St. Catherine, with 25 of those years spent in senior administrative roles.

### **A Decade of Growth**

Broderick led Catholic Eldercare through remarkable growth during her tenure. Creating a strong development department was an early priority which led to the Renewing the Spirit Capital Fund Drive in 2001 to enhance the level of senior housing in Northeast Minneapolis.

Most recently, she led the acquisition of 1101 On Main which offers quality condominium rentals, just two blocks from the Eldercare campus. She oversaw the planning and development of the RiverVillage campus with its affordable independent housing and assisted-living and memory-care units. Mary was a strong catalyst behind the creation of Catholic Senior Services, the Archdiocesan network of Catholic providers created to enhance the level of senior housing and services in the Twin Cities.

“The tenure of Mary Broderick was providential for Catholic Eldercare and the broader community of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis,” said Bishop Richard Pates. “Mary was particularly adept at engaging leadership and support to sustain and develop the continuum of care – the adult day program, independent housing, assisted living, memory care and nursing home care in Northeast Minneapolis. Moreover, Catholic character for these institutions meant compassion, opportunity to participate in sacramental life, and an environment which upheld dignity and personal value,” Bishop Pates said.

**Media Advisory:** To schedule an interview with Mary Broderick, please contact John Wingate at 612-782-8551.

*Nonprofit Catholic Eldercare is a community resource which has a 25 year tradition of meeting the diverse needs of seniors in a caring atmosphere of support, respect, dignity and self-determination. Catholic Eldercare provides a full continuum of housing and care services, including a popular adult day program, for elders of all faiths and financial means.*