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**STURDY MEMORIAL FOUNDATION ANNUAL MEETING HELD;
YEAR END RESULTS REPORTED AND
COMMUNITY LEADERS NAMED TO FOUNDATION**

ATTLEBORO, MA, January 9, 2007 – Sturdy Memorial Foundation, Inc., the non-profit parent organization of Sturdy Memorial Hospital, held its annual meeting last night at Highland Country Club in Attleboro. In addition, seven members of the community were elected to the Foundation.

Members and guests attending the meeting were told that the Hospital had maintained its positive financial status for the 21st consecutive year. The Hospital's bottom line from current year operations was \$7,949,948. Operating expenses for the year totaled \$123 million, which included \$6.7 million in uncompensated care for services provided to those who could not or would not pay.

In her annual report, Sturdy Memorial Hospital President and Chief Executive Officer Linda Shyavitz highlighted several of the Hospital's accomplishments in Fiscal Year 2006. Technological advances; enhancements to the Hospital's physical plant; new and ongoing initiatives to improve service and quality in meaningful ways; improved clinical efficiency and effectiveness; success in attracting new physicians to an already outstanding medical staff; and strong financial performance were detailed as some of the Hospital's successes. She also thanked the organization's many supporters and applauded those who helped make Fiscal Year 2006 a success.

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2007 New Members of the Sturdy Memorial Foundation

Virginia Coppola – Foxboro

Peter Ham – Mansfield

Jack Lank – Attleboro

Matthew LeStage – North Attleboro

Joan Pilkington-Smyth – Attleboro

Robert Thresher – Attleboro

Philip Travis – Rehoboth

Sturdy Memorial Hospital is an independent, full-service, non-profit, acute care community hospital, serving southeastern Massachusetts and nearby Rhode Island.

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