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JEWISH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES ERNEST AND EVELYN RADY COMMITMENT TO HADASSAH UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL MOUNT SCOPUS, JERUSALEM

SAN DIEGO – November 4, 2015 – The Jewish Community Foundation of San Diego is pleased to announce that Ernest and Evelyn Rady have committed a \$3.5 million grant to Hadassah University Hospital Mount Scopus in Jerusalem to develop a new and improved Mother and Child Center. The project will raise an additional \$3.74 million in matched funds, inspiring private donors and other sources. Support will also come from the Israeli government. The Foundation is honored to facilitate this grant from The Ernest Rady Fund, a donor advised fund of the Jewish Community Foundation.

For nearly 100 years, Hadassah Medical Center has been a leader in medicine and nursing in Israel, laying the foundation and setting the standards for the country's modern health care system. Hadassah developed Israel's community health services, established the first modern hospital and medical and nursing schools, and set the climate for medical research in Israel. The majority of medical breakthroughs in Israel have taken place at Hadassah, including the first successful heart transplant and the first robotic surgery. The Medical Center consists of two hospitals, the extensive Ein Kerem site and the smaller community site on Mount Scopus, which serves the heavily populated Jewish and Arab neighborhoods of northern and eastern Jerusalem.

The Radys' project on Mount Scopus, which is estimated to be completed in 2 ½ years, will include the creation of dedicated, renovated, and expanded pediatric facilities, including an emergency room, ambulatory day care facility, and operating room. The gift will also provide for an expanded delivery department and newborn nursery. Funding will provide Hadassah with critically-needed space, allowing for patient privacy, enhanced treatment areas as well as advanced technology and equipment so that it will reflect the high level of care already provided by Hadassah's professional team and the level of comfort that new mothers and babies deserve.

"My father was an OB/GYN," said Ernest Rady, one of San Diego's most prominent philanthropists and business leaders. "When a woman would come in and say, 'Thank you doctor, you saved my life,' my father said that it was like making a million dollars. He instilled in me the thought that helping others is fruitful. I am confident that by investing in Hadassah's new Mother and Child Center, we will have the opportunity to continue our meaningful tradition of helping others." This generous gift is just one of many given by the Rady family to benefit children, which include Rady Children's Hospital in San Diego.

Dr. Osnat Levtzion-Korach, M.D, M.H.A., Director of Hadassah University Hospital Mt. Scopus, is the visionary behind this project. As she shares, "At Hadassah we truly believe that medicine is a bridge to peace, and our work is another important step on the way to peace in the area. With this generous

and loving gift from Ernest and Evelyn Rady, Hadassah Mt. Scopus can focus on the most important work: implementing the latest advances in patient safety practices, patient-centered care, risk management and quality assurance to serve the needs all of those who come to this 350-bed academic hospital every year." Hadassah Mount Scopus recently saved the life of Naor, the 13 year-old boy who came to the hospital in critical condition after being stabbed in a terror attack on October 12. Thankfully, after two weeks at Hadassah, he was discharged to return home.

About The Jewish Community Foundation

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