



On August 20th, the SCBA Board of Directors voted unanimously to support the following resolution:

**SUPPORT OF THE BOND ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF
CONSTRUCTING A NEW PARKLAND HOSPITAL FACILITY**

WHEREAS, the current Parkland Hospital facility, located in the Stemmons Corridor, was built in 1954 and accommodates twice the number of patients it was intended to handle;

WHEREAS, Parkland Hospital serves as the primary teaching facility for UT Southwestern Medical Center and offers a Level 1 trauma center that manages more than 50 percent of all trauma cases in Dallas County and supports the entire North Texas region;

WHEREAS, Parkland Hospital offers regional resources for disaster preparedness and response and is the only burn center in North Texas,

WHEREAS, Parkland Hospital offers hospitalization, emergency and specialty outpatient services to approximately 700,000 patients a year and employs more than 8,000 people;

WHEREAS, Parkland Hospital is the public hospital for Dallas County and provides over \$400 million in uncompensated care on an annual basis;

WHEREAS, Parkland Hospital has proposed the construction of a new 862 bed hospital, at a projected cost of \$1.3 billion, which would provide 28 percent more beds thereby, allowing more county patients to get timely medical care;

AND WHEREAS, voters will be asked to underwrite approximately 60 percent of the cost or up to \$747 million through the sale of general obligation and revenue bonds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Stemmons Corridor Business Association supports the Bond Election on November 4th, 2008, for the purpose of enabling Dallas County officials to move forward with the construction of a much needed hospital facility.

ADOPTED this 20th day of August, 2008.

Matthew Ferguson
Chairman & President