

MOTION:

**May 12, 2009
Regular Meeting
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**RE: RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN PRINCE
WILLIAM HEALTH SYSTEM AND NOVANT HEALTH**

ACTION:

WHEREAS the Prince William Health System PWHS was founded by the community in 1964 to serve the Manassas, Virginia area with a mission to provide exceptional, quality healthcare for those that they serve, and

WHEREAS PWHS has expanded in recent years to better serve the Prince William area with such services as a new cancer center, surgical center, technology center and new ER and outpatient surgery center while receiving numerous awards for excellence and quality; and

WHEREAS the population of western Prince William County has grown considerably in recent years and is projected to grow more than 20% by 2012 and that population is changing and diverse; and

WHEREAS PWHS has identified the need for a strategic partner with their same dedication to quality and excellence that can provide the resources essential to expand access to healthcare services in our community; and

WHEREAS Novant Health has a compatible mission, vision and values, access to capital, the ability to strengthen specialty services, a strong image and reputation the ability to grown medical staff in size and specialties and is a recognized leader in clinical quality with advanced technology; and

WHEREAS Novant Health has agreed to invest \$240 million to help PWHS expand and enhance facilities and services with a commitment to recruit physicians and specialists, provide a Heart Cath lab, and build a hospital in Haymarket; and

WHEREAS PWHS board will continue local governance with a local trustee to serve on the Novant System Board and PWHS Foundation donations will stay in the community;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Supervisors does hereby support the strategic partnership between the Prince William Health System and Novant Health Care to provide enhanced, quality health care to the citizens of Prince William County.