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Baptist Health Sponsors Little Rock Half Marathon for 13th Year

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (July 23, 2015) – For the 13th consecutive year, Baptist Health will serve as the presenting sponsor of the Little Rock Half Marathon. The race is scheduled for March 6, 2015 in downtown Little Rock according to race officials.

The Little Rock Half Marathon, presented by Baptist Health, is part of the Little Rock Marathon Weekend presented by the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* slated for March 5-6, 2016 and benefits Little Rock Parks & Recreation.

Baptist Health is the state's most comprehensive healthcare system. With more than 175 points of access including eight hospitals, Baptist Health is committed to deliver "All Our Best" in health care to the people of Arkansas.

"Baptist Health is honored to be the presenting sponsor of the Little Rock Half Marathon," said Troy Wells, president and CEO of Baptist Health. "We've been privileged to have sponsored this race since the beginning, and knowing that we're reaching the 13th anniversary race is especially exciting not only for the participants but also for what this race means to our community and state."

More than 13,000 participants and an estimated 25,000 spectators will descend on central Arkansas for five road races and a two-day health and fitness expo.

"Baptist Health has been the presenting sponsor of the Little Rock Half Marathon since its inception in 2004," said Nancy Green, Little Rock Marathon chairman. "Our continued relationship with Baptist Health speaks volumes about its strong commitment to promoting healthy lifestyles through distance running and walking."

Registration will be available online at littlerockmarathon.com through 11:59 p.m. CST Feb. 26, 2016.

For more information about deadlines, details and the race, visit littlerockmarathon.com.

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About Little Rock Parks & Recreation

Little Rock Parks and Recreation oversees 60 developed parks and twelve undeveloped parks totaling over 6,100 acres. In addition, the Little Rock Parks & Recreation offers a wide-range of youth and adult recreational and sports leagues, after-school and summer playground programs for children ages 6-15, outdoor recreation, therapeutic recreation and programs for seniors. Funds raised will continue to support parks and recreational programs for all ages. For more information about Little Rock Parks & Recreation please visit www.lrpr.org.



About Baptist Health

Baptist Health exists to provide quality patient-centered services, promote and protect the voluntary not-for-profit health care system, provide quality health education and respond to the changing needs of the citizens of Arkansas with Christian compassion and personal concern consistent with our charitable purpose.

