

Association for Healthcare Philanthropy

November 28, 2005 Contact: Kathy Renzetti (703) 532-6243, (571) 216-0146 or <u>kathy@ahp.org</u>

313 Park Avenue Falls Church, VA 22046 www.ahp.org

Association for Healthcare Philanthropy Recognizes Priscilla Khoury with Highest Distinction — The AHP Fellow

WASHINGTON, D.C., (November 28, 2005) – The Association for Healthcare Philanthropy (AHP) recognized Priscilla Khoury, senior vice president and chief operating officer for St. John Health Foundation in southeastern Michigan, for achieving the AHP Fellow designation (FAHP). Khoury is in the 31st class of Fellows to be honored.

Elevation to the status of Fellow in AHP is the highest level of achievement in the field of health care philanthropy. Conferring of the Fellow designation is not so much an award, as it is recognition of individual professional distinction, well earned through dedication and continual self-advancement.

Khoury is responsible for the management of all fundraising programs for St. John Health, a multi hospital system in southeastern Michigan. Khoury joined Providence Health Foundation, a member of St. John Health, in March 2002, serving as its president.

Previously, she was executive director of development and alumni affairs at the Wayne State University School of Medicine for seven years. She also served as executive director of development for St. Mary's Hospital and Medical Center and Door County Memorial Hospital, both located in Wisconsin.

Khoury also has an extensive background in marketing and public relations and served as community relations director for National Public Radio affiliates in Houston and Marquette.

She has a master of science degree in communication from the Newhouse School of Communications, Syracuse University, and a bachelor of science degree in speech/broadcast arts from Northern Michigan University.

The Association for Healthcare Philanthropy is dedicated to the advancement of health care institutions and organizations through the enhancement of its members' performance and professionalism. To this end, AHP sets professional standards for health care development officers, offers comprehensive educational programs to help them achieve those standards, and examines them to determine who meets those standards. Professionals who successfully complete the Fellow examination earn the designation "Fellow of the Association for Healthcare Philanthropy," or FAHP.

Successful applicants must have earned the Certified Fundraising Executive (CFRE) designation, have at least eight years of experience in raising and managing philanthropic funds for a health care organization, and pledge in writing to adhere to the AHP Statement of Professional Standards and Conduct and to uphold the AHP-endorsed Donor Bill of Rights. To achieve the status of Fellow, applicants must pass a written and oral exam.

AHP, established in 1967, is a not-for-profit organization whose 4,000+ members manage philanthropic programs in 1,900 of the nation's 3,400 not-for-profit health care providers.

###

ASSOCIATION FOR HEALTHCARE PHILANTHROPY

Connecting People • Enriching Lives