**Sample Hospital Board Resolution**

WHEREAS, traumatic injury is the leading cause of death for Minnesotans between the ages of 1 and 44 years; and

WHEREAS, [HOSPITAL] strives to provide optimal trauma care; and

WHEREAS, treatment at a trauma hospital that participates in a standardized system of trauma care can significantly increase the chance of survival for victims of serious trauma; and

WHEREAS, participation in the Minnesota Statewide Trauma System will result in an organized and timely response to patients’ needs, a more immediate determination of patients’ definitive care requirements, improved patient care through the development of the hospital’s performance improvement program and an assurance that those caring for trauma patients are educationally prepared:

THEREFORE; BE IT RESOLVED that the board of directors of [HOSPITAL] resolve to provide the resources necessary to achieve and sustain a level [III or IV] trauma hospital designation.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this [DAY] day of [MONTH], [YEAR].

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Chairman of the Board