Statement on Ebola

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American hospitals face new and significant challenges every day. They are always there for our nation and have an incredible record of unfailing commitment and service, especially in the most difficult circumstances.

Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas is at the forefront of the latest and most serious challenge as the first hospital in the U.S. to encounter Ebola in its community. This fine organization has a long and distinguished history of delivering quality care in its community. It has received awards for patient safety and nursing excellence, including Magnet designation by the American Nurses Credentialing Center. Their staff has worked tirelessly to conquer this challenge and to continue to deliver high-quality care to their patients and community under extraordinary circumstances. They have and deserve our complete support and admiration.

Hospitals across the nation are on high alert and learning from the experiences in Dallas, Atlanta and Omaha. All hospitals are vigilantly preparing should they also be called upon to respond.

Our thoughts are with all of the physicians, nurses and support staff as they battle this disease, and in particular the dedicated staff of Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas as they continue to do everything possible to provide care for all of their patients and community.

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