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DELAWARE SUBARU PRESENTS "SHARE THE LOVE" GIFT TO CHRISTIANA CARE HEALTH SYSTEM

Proceeds Support Neonatal Intensive Care Unit Special Needs Fund

(WILMINGTON, Del.—May 20) Christiana Care Health System Trustee Michael Uffner and his team at Delaware Subaru delivered a generous gift to Christiana Care with proceeds from his dealership's "Share the Love" campaign to support the special needs of babies in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) and their parents. Uffner is president, chairman, and CEO at Delaware Cadillac, Saab, Subaru, Kia and served as vice chair of Trustees at Christiana Care from 2010 to 2015.

In a special presentation at Christiana Care's Trustees meeting on May 19, Uffner and his Delaware Subaru colleagues gave nearly \$10,000 on behalf of Subaru of America, Inc. Subaru's "Share the Love" campaign contributes profits from sales and leases to benefit local organizations.

"Your leadership gift is an inspiring contribution to Christiana Care," said Trustee Chair Carroll M. Carpenter in accepting the gift. "This wonderful gift and the many ways you continue to support the Health System are incredibly meaningful to our community."

The gift supports Christiana Care's Kitty Esterly, M.D., NICU Special Needs Fund, a resource for financially stressed families who need help with the unexpected expenses that can come with a NICU stay. Named for the late retired chair of Christiana Care's Department of Pediatrics, a pioneer in neonatology, the fund helps qualifying families cover costs for such expenses as transportation, prescriptions, baby supplies, medical equipment, lodging and meals.

Christiana Hospital is the only high risk delivering hospital in Delaware offering a Level III NICU. Fully equipped with advanced technology and expert neonatal specialists, the unit averages 1,200 admissions annually and provides the highest standards of acute care. These tiny patients are born at Christiana Care and are brought by the Health System's neonatal transport team from area hospitals for nationally recognized care that is patient-focused and family-friendly.

"We could have chosen to support any of the wonderful non-profits in our state but we chose Christiana Care because of its significant impact on the health and future of our community," said Uffner.

Joining Uffner to present the gift were Lee Asher, AutoTeam Delaware general manager; Nick Gianakis, Subaru sales manager; Katie Loizeaux of Viamark Advertising; and Andrew Raszewski, Subaru district sales manager.

About Christiana Care Health System

Christiana Care Health System is one of the country's largest health care providers, ranking as the 22nd leading hospital in the nation and 12th on the East Coast in terms of admissions. A not-for-profit teaching hospital affiliated with Thomas Jefferson Medical College, Christiana Care is recognized as a regional center for excellence in cardiology, cancer and women's health services. Christiana Care is home to Delaware's only Level I trauma center, the highest capability center and the only one of its kind between Philadelphia and Baltimore. Christiana Care also features a Level III neonatal intensive care unit, the only delivering hospital in Delaware that offers the highest level of non-surgical care to the most critically ill newborns. Christiana Care includes two hospitals with 1,100 patient beds, a home health care service, preventive medicine, rehabilitation services, a network of primary care physicians and an extensive range of outpatient services. For more information about Christiana Care, visit www.christianacare.org/whoweare.



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Photo Caption: Christiana Care Health System Trustee Michael Uffner and his team at Delaware Subaru delivered a generous gift to Christiana Care with proceeds from his dealership's "Share the Love" campaign to support the special needs of babies in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and their parents at the Health System's Trustees meeting on May 20. From left to right: Carroll M. Carpenter, chair of Trustees at Christiana Care; Lee Asher, AutoTeam Delaware general manager; Katie Loizeaux of Viamark Advertising; Michael Uffner, president, chairman and CEO at Delaware Cadillac, Saab, Subaru, Kia; Andrew Raszewski, Subaru district sales manager; Janice E. Nevin, M.D., MPH, president and CEO of Christiana Care; and Nick Gianakis, Subaru sales manager.