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### **TRIO COMBINES FOR \$35 MILLION IN PHILANTHROPIC GIFTS IN SUPPORT OF BOCA RATON REGIONAL HOSPITAL INITIATIVE**

*Stanley and Marilyn Barry, Christine E. Lynn, and Richard and Barbara Schmidt and Schmidt Family  
Foundation Step Forward*

**BOCA RATON, FL – January 9, 2018** – Boca Raton Regional Hospital (BRRH) is poised on the doorstep of a transformative \$260 million capital project and three of its most passionate supporters made historic philanthropic gifts to demonstrate their commitment.

Long-time BRRH supporters and donors Stanley and Marilyn Barry, Christine E. Lynn, and Richard and Barbara Schmidt and the Schmidt Family Foundation stepped forward with \$35 million in gifts, one of the most profound displays of philanthropy in one day in the 50-year history of the Hospital. All three made their announcements at a reception at the Christine E. Lynn Women's Health & Wellness Institute at Boca Raton Regional Hospital on Monday, January 8. The Barrys are gifting \$10 million, Ms. Lynn's gift totals \$15 million and the Schmidts are making a \$10 million gift.

"These donors are among our most cherished community partners and intimate members of the Boca Raton Regional family, who lead through their commitment of time and expertise as well as philanthropy," said Jerry Fedele, President and CEO of Boca Raton Regional Hospital. "They set the pace for others to ensure outstanding, best-in-class healthcare in Boca Raton. We owe them a huge debt of gratitude."

Stanley Barry is the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Boca Raton Regional Hospital Foundation; he and Marilyn have been active and philanthropic for 30 years on behalf of the Hospital. Their generosity has funded The Marilyn & Stanley Barry Center for Cerebrovascular Disease & Stroke in the Marcus Neuroscience Institute.

Christine E. Lynn is the Chair of the Hospital Board of Trustees and one of the country's leading philanthropists. She has been a champion of the Hospital for more than a generation. Her extraordinary generosity through the years has helped create the Eugene M. & Christine E. Lynn Cancer Institute,

Christine E. Lynn Heart & Vascular Institute, Christine E. Lynn Women's Health & Wellness Institute, and the Hospital's Clinical Research Center, among other critical services.

Richard Schmidt is immediate past Chair of the Hospital Board of Trustees and continues to devote his time and expertise in support of the Hospital. Barbara Schmidt has served in leadership roles for numerous Hospital committees and her "Peaceful Mind Peaceful Life" initiative offers workshops on wellness and inner peace at Boca Regional and other locations. Together they have been powerful advocates for BRRH through their Schmidt Family Foundation, gifting the Schmidt Family Center for Breast Cancer and the Schmidt Family Pavilion at the Marcus Neuroscience Institute, among others.

These remarkable expressions of generosity pre-date and herald a major capital campaign set to launch later in 2018 aimed at one of the Hospital's largest initiatives. The planned investments include a new 278,000 square foot addition to BRRH, comprised of a seven-story patient tower, an expanded and renovated Surgical Suite, an enhanced and expanded Surgical Intensive Care Unit and Medical Intensive Care Unit, a new Cardiovascular Intensive Care and Stepdown Unit, expanded private patient rooms, a new and inviting patient lobby, as well as a new parking garage and other amenities.

"It is incumbent on all of us as leaders of this Hospital to set the stage and create a momentum for the fundraising efforts that will be critical to the success of this magnificent plan," said Mr. Barry. "We want others to follow suit and demonstrate the sense of community of which we've always been proud to be a part."

"It is imperative we make bold investments in this grand vision that will re-imagine and transform our campus, and forge a future of unprecedented medical sophistication in our region," said Ms. Lynn. "This initiative will provide life-saving benefits for all of us and our families, and the security to know you can find the highest level of advanced care right here in Boca Raton."

"Our objective, as always, is to support projects and organizations that strengthen families and communities," said Mr. Schmidt. "Boca Raton Regional Hospital has been at the forefront of contemporary and cutting-edge health initiatives for years, and we deeply appreciate their determined pursuit of the very best for all of us in the area."

***About Boca Raton Regional Hospital – Advancing the boundaries of medicine.***

Boca Raton Regional Hospital is an advanced, tertiary medical center ([BRRH.com](http://BRRH.com)) with 400 beds and more than 800 primary and specialty physicians on staff. The Hospital is a recognized leader in Cardiovascular Care, Oncology, Women's Health, Orthopedics, Emergency Medicine and the Neurosciences, all of which offer state-of-the-art diagnostic and imaging capabilities. The Hospital is a designated Comprehensive Stroke Center by the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA).