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PRESS RELEASE

"Hoops for Hope" Cancer Awareness Game sponsored by HSHS St. Joseph's Hospitals in Highland and Breese on Dec. 16

HIGHLAND, III. — On Monday, Dec. 16, HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital in Highland and HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital in Breese are sponsoring the "Hoops for Hope" Cancer Awareness Pink Out Game at Highland High School.

The Highland Lady Bulldogs basketball team will take on the Breese Mater Dei Lady Knights and raise money to support those who are fighting cancer of any kind. The public is invited to attend and encouraged to wear pink.

The game starts at 6 p.m.

A portion of the proceeds will support the Love You More Foundation (Facebook.com/LoveYouMoreFoundation) and Leaps of Love (Facebook.com/LeapsOfLove).

The HSHS Cancer Care Program in Highland, overseen by Dr. Mark Walshauser, specialist in cancer and blood diseases and triple board certified in internal medicine, hematology and medical oncology, offers a full spectrum of clinical and support services, from screening and diagnostics to treatment and counseling. Patients can also participate in clinical trials, with access to HSHS' state-of-the-art oncology program. For more information on this program, call 618-651-2888.

For more information about HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital Highland, visit <u>stjosephshighland.org</u>, and for information about HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital Breese, visit <u>stjoebreese.com</u>.

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HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital, Highland is part of Hospital Sisters Health System (HSHS), a Catholic health care ministry founded in 1875. Dedicated to our Mission to reveal and embody Christ's healing love for all people through high-quality Franciscan health care, HSHS clinicians provide exceptional care centered on the whole person. Based in Springfield, Illinois, HSHS employs more than 11,000 colleagues who provide care in 13 acute-care, children's and critical-access hospitals and home health and hospice programs in Central and Southern Illinois and Eastern Wisconsin. HSHS is aligned with more than 1,000 primary and specialty physicians and advanced practitioners through its owned affiliates HSHS Medical Group and Prairie Cardiovascular and its partnership with Prevea Health. For more information about HSHS, visit hshs.org.