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ST. MARY'S CFO WAYNE JONES TO BECOME CEO

NORFOLK, **Va.** (Oct. 17, 2016) — Wayne Jones, chief financial officer of St. Mary's Home, has been selected by the Board of Directors to become CEO of the nonprofit residence serving children and and adults who have severe disabilities.

Jones will succeed William C. Giermak, who will retire Oct. 28 after 12 years as CEO.

"Mr. Jones has worked closely with Mr. Giermak," said Board President Nancy Wilcox. "He is well prepared to take over the day-to-day operations at the Home and create with the Board a strategic plan for St. Mary's future."

Jones, 60, has been CFO of St. Mary's since June 2005. He has devoted his career to health care finance and administration, including more than 20 years at Bon Secours Maryview Medical Center in Portsmouth, Va.

"I am very proud to work at St. Mary's, an organization with an incredible mission," Jones said. "I am really looking forward to this new position. Mr. Giermak has done a wonderful job as CEO, and he has set a high bar."

Jones holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from the College of William & Mary and a master's degree in health care administration from the Medical College of Virginia/Virginia Commonwealth University.

Jones grew up in Smithfield, Va., where he lives with his wife, Fran, a retired teacher. They have two sons and a grandson.

Giermak, who turned 65 in April, said he was pleased that the Board selected Jones as the new CEO.

"This allows for some measure of continuity," Giermak said. "More important than continuity is a new voice in leadership to help St. Mary's staff accomplish even more to give the children and adults here a good life."

About St. Mary's Home: St. Mary's Home, formerly St. Mary's Home for Disabled Children, in Norfolk provides around-the-clock, specialized residential care for 88 children and 12 adults from throughout Virginia who have multiple, severe disabilities. For more information, visit www.SaintMarysHome.org.

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