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EAMC President Named Secretary-Treasurer of Statewide Association

MONTGOMERY – Terry Andrus, president of East Alabama Medical Center (EAMC) in Opelika, was recently elected secretary-treasurer for the Alabama Hospital Association (AlaHA) at the organization’s annual meeting in Destin, Fla.

“Mr. Andrus, a 31-year health care veteran, has been very active in the association and in the hospital industry statewide,” said J. Michael Horsley, FACHE, president of the Alabama Hospital Association. “He has served on the board previously and chaired several association committees. We look forward to his continued leadership and his service as an officer.”

Andrus settled in Opelika, Ala., at East Alabama Medical Center in 1983 where he worked for one year as the chief operating officer, after which he was promoted to president and CEO of the hospital. Under his leadership, the Medical Center was named to *Fortune’s* list of the “100 Best Companies to Work For,” honored as one of the “Top 100 Heart Programs” in the United States for three consecutive years, and recognized for advancements in open heart surgery by being named a Premier Quality Award Distinguished Performer. EAMC has also been awarded the Alabama Quality Award for excellence in performance.

Andrus received a Bachelor of Science degree in medical technology from the University of New Orleans and a master’s degree from Georgia State University in health administration. He is a past recipient of the American College of Healthcare Executives’ Regent’s Award, SunHealth’s Service to Alliance Award and the 2009 AlaHA Grassroots Champion Award. He is currently a board member for AuburnBank and chairman of the board of Camp Maranook. He served as past president of the Auburn and Opelika Chambers of Commerce, Opelika Kiwanis Club and United Way of Lee County, and he is a former member of the board of directors for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama and Premier, Inc.

The Alabama Hospital Association, based in Montgomery, is a statewide trade organization that represents more than 100 hospitals and numerous other health care providers by offering membership services designed to enhance the provision of health care in Alabama.