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THE PATRON SAINTS FOUNDATION AWARDS HUNTINGTON MEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTES A $30,000 GRANT TO HELP CONSTRUCT BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH BUILDING IN PASADENA

The Patron Saints Foundation's 30th anniversary celebration,
HMRI awarded with grant for new research building

PASADENA, CA [May 25, 2016] – On Wednesday, May 25, Pasadena-based The Patron Saints Foundation awarded Huntington Medical Research Institutes (HMRI), Pasadena's only dedicated medical research institute, a $30,000 grant to aid in the construction of HMRI's new biomedical research facility at 686 S. Fair Oaks Avenue. The Patron Saints Foundation, an organization that provides grants to public charities to improve the health of individuals residing in West San Gabriel Valley, has awarded more than 850 grants totaling $9.9 million since being founded in 1986.

"HMRI is an excellent recipient for our organization's grant due to its cutting-edge medical research that benefits those suffering from long-term illnesses," said The Patron Saints Foundation's Executive Director, Kathleen Shannon. "We are confident that HMRI will continue to reach new breakthroughs in its research."

The Patron Saints Foundation has a long history of providing grant funding to HMRI. In 2013, a grant of $20,000 was given to HMRI to purchase cardiac MRI equipment that provides patients with imaging services and allows HMRI to conduct research on the many different causes of heart failure. Some of the grant money was also used for a research initiative between the Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) and HMRI to offer free scans of the brain and heart for student athletes to better understand brain injuries in youth. Since its inception, the foundation has been awarding grants to HMRI and has contributed a total of $110,000.

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"The Patron Saints Foundation grant puts HMRI over our $20 million mark in grants," said Dr. Marie Csete, President & Chief Scientist of HMRI. "We are so thankful for its partnership and its long-lasting commitment of providing HMRI with grants to invest in equipment to conduct pioneering research."

About Huntington Medical Research Institutes
Huntington Medical Research Institutes (HMRI) is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) nonprofit, public-benefit organization based in Pasadena, California, dedicated to changing lives through multidisciplinary patient-focused research. Since its beginnings in 1952, HMRI research has led to development of diagnostics and medical devices that impact many patients worldwide. HMRI is Pasadena's only dedicated medical research institute, with robust research programs focused on diseases of the brain, heart, liver, and gut. With more than 47,000 sq feet of research space, HMRI's physician-scientists bring deep clinical experience into the laboratories to inform basic research and clinical studies including active clinical studies in neurodegenerative disease, hepatitis, and heart failure. For more information, visit: www.hmri.org.

About The Patron Saints Foundation
The Patron Saints Foundation evolved from the St. Luke Foundation which was created in 1979 to raise funds for the not-for-profit St. Luke Hospital in Pasadena. In 1985, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange sold St. Luke Hospital to a for-profit health care corporation. As a nonprofit, the St. Luke Foundation could not support a for-profit hospital. In addition, there was a commitment from the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange to preserve the $2.8 million dollars that was raised for St. Luke Hospital and to continue the legacy of caring for the health needs of the surrounding community. To that end, in 1986 St. Luke Foundation was reorganized and renamed The Patron Saints Foundation to provide health care grants to nonprofit organizations that serve the communities of the West San Gabriel Valley. For more information, visit: www.patronsaintsfoundation.org.