St. Francis President and CEO Jerry Jablonowski Receives Boy Scout "Spirit of America" Award

TRENTON, NJ, June 24, 2009 –Jerry Jablonowski, President and CEO of St. Francis Medical Center, was recently honored with the "Spirit of America" Award from the Central New Jersey Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

The Spirit of America Award ceremony celebrates the nation's current and future leadership by recognizing the contributions of local community leaders and by honoring the achievement of young men who have attained the coveted rank of Eagle Scout. This year's ceremony was June 11, 2009 at the Westin Princeton at Forrestal Village in Princeton, NJ. In total, the event earned more than $107,000 for the Central New Jersey Council.

Along with Mr. Jablonowski, this year's "Spirit of America" Award recipients were:

- David R. Breidinger, Senior Vice President, Comcast Cable-Eastern Division
- Bernie Flynn, President & CEO, New Jersey Manufacturers (NJM)
- F. Kevin Tylus, Regional President, PNC Bank-Central New Jersey

The event also honored the 232 "Class of 2009" Eagle Scouts from Central New Jersey Council. Fewer than 4% of all boys who join Scouting nationally achieve the rank of Eagle Scout.

Mr. Jablonowski thanked the Scouts for the award on behalf of all St. Francis employees. Jerry said: " Our mission, to be a healing transforming presence in the community we serve, is very similar to the mission of the Boy Scouts. Tonight, I represent my employees who deliver the highest quality of care to the neediest of people. I represent an institution that has served the City of Trenton and the surrounding areas for over 134 years. "