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***FEDERATION OF AMERICAN HOSPITALS
PRESIDENT CHIP KAHN APPLAUDS WHITE
HOUSE EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN MEDICARE***

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Federation of American Hospitals (FAH)

President Chip Kahn today applauded the Bush Administration for coming forward with a proposal to extend prescription drug coverage to Medicare beneficiaries, and trying to improve the Medicare program. “The Federation supports the President’s efforts to strengthen the Medicare program. Helping seniors with prescription drugs is critically important, and President Bush’s leadership on this issue is essential to its success. We commend both his leadership and his initiative. Maintaining a strong Medicare program from both a benefits and a financial solvency point of view is a national priority,” said Kahn.

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