HealthSouth Announces Change to Board of Directors

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HealthSouth Corporation (OTC Pink Sheets: HLSH) today announced that Robert P. May has notified the Company of his intention to resign as a Director and as Chairman of the Board, effective October 1, 2005. Current Director Jon F. Hanson has been elected to replace Mr. May as Chairman of the Board upon his resignation.

"With the help and support of HealthSouth's thousands of dedicated employees and my fellow board members, I am proud to have been part of the team that has contributed to the current success of HealthSouth," said Mr. May. "Over the course of the last three years, I have achieved a wide variety of the business and personal goals I had established for HealthSouth and for me. Now, due to increasing professional and personal opportunities and obligations, I feel this is the right time for me to turn over my responsibilities to HealthSouth's new leadership team. I have great confidence in HealthSouth's future and wish my fellow directors and HealthSouth's employees every success as they move forward."

Mr. Hanson added, "It has been both an honor and a pleasure to have served alongside Bob, who answered our Board's call for him to step in as Interim CEO when HealthSouth was facing enormous challenges. His leadership, courage and commitment impressed all who crossed his path and he did much to help reshape the new HealthSouth. We wish him well in his future endeavors."

"On behalf of HealthSouth's employees and management team, I would like to thank Bob for his dedication to the Company," said HealthSouth President and CEO Jay Grinney. "We have benefited from his leadership and perspective, and are a better company for his involvement."

About HealthSouth

HealthSouth is one of the nation's largest providers of outpatient surgery, diagnostic imaging and rehabilitative healthcare services, operating facilities nationwide. HealthSouth can be found on the Web at www.healthsouth.com.

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