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NEW OUTPATIENT SURGICAL CENTER OPENS IN ZACHARY, LOUISIANA

ZACHARY, LOUISIANA – September 12, 2011 – Zachary Surgical Center opened its doors in

Zachary, La. The multi-specialty outpatient surgical facility began performing cases in early

September. Zachary Surgical Center was developed through a partnership between local surgeons

and Meridian Surgical Partners, LLC, based in Nashville, Tenn. Located at 4845 Main Street in the

Sullivan Medical Office Park; the state-of-the-art facility occupies 8,300 square feet of space with

two operating suites and one procedure room. Outpatient surgical procedures are being

performed at the center in the following specialties: gastroenterology, general surgery,

orthopaedics, pain management, podiatry, and spine.

"Zachary Surgical Center is a great addition to the healthcare community in Zachary. We

are excited to offer patients a safe, efficient, comfortable, and cost-effective alternative for

their outpatient surgical needs," said Brian Kozar, M.D., founding partner and

orthopaedic surgeon at Zachary Surgical Center.

"Meridian is proud to be part of Zachary Surgical Center. We believe the physicians'

dedication to this area and this facility will make this a successful partnership and one that

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creates value for the patients and community," added David F. "Buddy" Bacon, Jr., chief

executive officer for Meridian Surgical Partners.

ABOUT MERIDIAN SURGICAL PARTNERS

Meridian Surgical Partners aligns with physicians in the acquisition, development, and

management of multi-specialty ambulatory surgery centers and surgical facilities. Meridian

acquires interests in established physician-owned outpatient surgical facilities and partners with

physicians to build and operate new surgery centers. Meridian is currently partnered with 16

physician-owned ambulatory surgery centers across the country.

Founded in 2006 by veterans of the healthcare industry with the vision of creating a superior

model for outpatient surgery, Meridian Surgical Partners is headquartered in Brentwood,

Tennessee, approximately 15 miles south of Nashville. For more information about Meridian, visit

www.meridiansurgicalpartners.com.

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