

**PETITION TO SEEK THE LEASE OR SALE OF MARIN GENERAL
HOSPITAL TO A COMPETENT AND PROVEN HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT
GROUP**

Doctors, Nurses and Other Health Professionals Express “No Confidence” in a District-run hospital.

We, the doctors, nurses and other professionals who work at or refer patients to Marin General Hospital, want to preserve the exceptional patient care to the residents of Marin County and the outstanding community programs in cardiology, cancer care, trauma, obstetrics, orthopedics and primary care. We believe Marin has a remarkable aggregation of outstanding physicians who practice at Marin General. However, we also know district run hospitals are at high risk for failure. We have watched the politicization of the Marin Healthcare District Board over the years. With the date now set to terminate the Sutter management contract, we have no confidence that the District can manage, or oversee the management of a successful community hospital.

Doctors and nurses are leaving the hospital now. Because of so many uncertainties, many other colleagues are considering leaving. The survival of Marin General Hospital is in serious doubt if it is to be administered by a politicized District Board, especially now that Sutter has announced expansions at Novato Community Hospital and with its just announced purchase of Marin Square Shopping Center in the Canal neighborhood.

Time is running out. Action is urgent. We the undersigned, who provide health care to the citizens of Marin County, respectfully ask that the Marin Health Care District put a plan on the November 2007 ballot to sell or lease the Marin General Hospital to a competent and proven hospital management group.

Over 110 physicians and surgeons have signed on to this petition, as have almost 500 nurses, therapists, technicians and other professionals.

The physicians include:

Adams, James	Grossfeld, Gary	Ogden, David
Allen, Peter	Gullion, David	Ogden, Paul
Andrew, J. David	Halbert, Francine	Oppenheim, Alfred
Arnold, Charles	Hall, Albert	Orwig, Dennis
Azimi, Saba	Hall, Shirley	Poulos, Stanley
Baer, Margaret	Harvey, John	Prasad, Che
Bearg, Stephen	Hatch, Christopher	Printz, Richard
Bennett, Patrick	Head, Bobbie	Quasha, Art
Berman, David	Hoghooghi, Donna	Roben, Jason
Bloom, David	Holland, Betsy	Robinson, Scott
Bookoff, Charles	Jacos, Gerson	Sacco, Damon
Branco, Nelson	Jacques, Christopher	Salmen, Brian
Buxton, Eric	Kaiser, Jay	Scher, Eric
Byers, Robert	Keeffe, Brian	Shaikh, Naureen
Calvilli, Aida	Keohane, John	Sklar, Joel
Campbell, Vida	Khattak, Muhammed	Smith, Alison
Cha, Imok	Nasir	Sowerby, Tim
Chamberlain, Keith	Kim, Eunice	Sperling, David
Chang, Kathy	Koenker, Ralph	Sperling, Robert
Clark-Sayles, Catharine	Kunhardt, George	Spitzer, Carl
Cohen, Douglas E	Landfield, Barry	Sponzilli, Ernest
Crowley, Timothy	Leavitt, Lisa	Stock, Michael
Cumming, Susan	Lee, Mimi	Strunk, Brian
Cummings, Anne	Levey, Lawrence	Stuart, Charles
D'Amore, Tancredi	Levine, Lois	Teasdale, Robert
Davidson, Kerry	Licata, Stephen	Tweten, Scott
Davidson, Paul	Lowe, Elizabeth	Vercoutere, Ann
Dawson, Tim	Maisel, Jan	Wasserstein, Paul
DeMuth, Brian	Margolin, Alan	Wexman, Mark
Dinello, Christophe	Mayeda, William	White, Chris
Drach, Fred	Mcauliffe, Richard	Widman, Regina
Drucker, Mark	Melkonian, Rita	Yamaguchi, Michael
Eisenberg, Peter	Melnick, Irina	Young, Jerald
Ellis, Robert	Metzger, Alex	Zecherle, John
Farren, Georgianna	Nagai, Brian	Zitzer, Jerry
Fedrigio, Anthony	Najafi, Kathryn	
Fritz, Russell	Neill, Mather	
Galland, David	Nejad, Mike	
Goltz, David	Neuwirth, Harry	
Goodman, Chad	Newbury, Brian	
Grewal, Sajot	Nisam, Merrill	
	Oeschel, Mike	