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Dear Neighbors:

Since change takes place so regularly in our community and at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, I would like to communicate on a more regular basis. I would like to provide you with more frequent communications in an effort to keep you updated with the changes at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. With that goal in mind, here are the updates on the Medical Center's plans for 2010, which I hope you will find of interest.

We plan to reduce the hospital's carbon dioxide emissions and energy costs this year by installing a co-generation system in the existing boiler house building on the main campus. By significantly cutting our energy use and providing additional secure backup for critical hospital operations, this will provide an additional layer of protection from disruption to our patients and community. The Medical Center will make additional improvements to reduce the current noise level at that building. A sound-attenuation barrier will be installed on the roof of the boiler building, further enhancing the overall project. This additional investment in the sound-attenuation barrier will decrease the decibel emission to a lower level than current.

Additionally, we plan to make repairs to the parking garage. The parking garage was originally built in the 1970's and is in need of renovations. Our upstate New York winters and the salt from cars have taken its toll on the garage surfaces. Later this spring, we plan to make the necessary repairs. This renovation project will cause some daytime noise; however, all noise from the renovation will be within the acceptable range allowed by code. I apologize for any noise associated from this project in advance.

I have enclosed copies of our monthly newsletter, *The Elizabethan*, and our 2008 Annual Report. Please visit our website at www.stemc.org for ongoing updates. If you would rather not receive update letters from us, please call (315) 798-8195 and we will remove your address from our database.

Sincerely,

Robert Scholefield, C.O.O.