



## Media Release

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### The Sabourin Family donates another \$10,000 to the St. Joseph's Foundation of Sudbury for the Monique Landry-Sabourin Memorial Fund



Left to right: Pascal Sabourin, Ray Ingriselli, Site Administrator, Jo-Anne Palkovits, Administrator, Villa St. Gabriel Villa

Pascal Sabourin presents a cheque in honour of the Monique Landry-Sabourin Memorial Fund in the amount of \$10,000 to Jo-Anne Palkovits, President and CEO, St. Joseph's Health Centre and Ray Ingriselli, Site Administrator, Villa St. Gabriel Villa. **Since its launch in December 2013, the *Fonds commémoratif Monique Landry-Sabourin Memorial Fund* has raised \$50,000.** Funds will be placed towards Villa St. Gabriel Villa.

“The Sabourin Family decided to establish this fund in December 2013 to celebrate Monique’s tireless commitment from the vision to the construction and opening in March 2011 of a long-term care home in Chelmsford built on land generously donated by Gabriel Belanger ”explained Pascal Sabourin, Monique’s spouse.

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**Backgrounder:**

The Monique Landry-Sabourin Memorial Fund was launched in December 2013.

The St. Joseph's Foundation of Sudbury was honoured to launch the *Fonds commémoratif Monique Landry-Sabourin Memorial Fund* in memory of former St. Joseph's Health Centre Board member Monique Landry-Sabourin who passed away in September 2013.

Due to the generosity of Pascal Sabourin and family, they have created a memorial fund to honour Mme. Landry-Sabourin's legacy with the organization. The family graciously donated \$25,000 to start the fund which has been established to support initiatives at Villa St. Gabriel Villa in Chelmsford, Ontario.

Monique Landry-Sabourin's roots runs deep with the St. Joseph's Health Centre organization. Mrs. Landry-Sabourin joined the St. Joseph's Health Centre's Board of Directors in 2002. In 2003, she was appointed Vice-Chair and from 2005-2007 she was Chair of the Board. During her tenure from 2002 to 2011, Mrs. Landry-Sabourin oversaw the development of St. Joseph's Villa, a 128-bed long-term care home; St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre, a 64-bed complex continuing care hospital; and Villa St. Gabriel Villa, a 128-bed long-term care home located in Chelmsford, Ontario.

Mrs. Landry-Sabourin played an integral role in seeing Villa St. Gabriel Villa come to fruition. As part of the Board's mandate to meet the unmet needs in the community, she and Board members identified the need to build a new long-term care home in Chelmsford community of the City of Greater Sudbury.

Mrs. Landry-Sabourin was instrumental in negotiating the land deal. She met with Mr. Gabriel Belanger and brought forth the proposal to build in Chelmsford. Villa St. Gabriel opened its doors in March 2011 to 128 residents. Mrs. Landry-Sabourin had the foresight and fortitude to see this project to fruition and for this the organization is truly grateful.

"The St. Joseph's Foundation is most grateful to the Sabourin family for establishing a fund honouring the memory of their beloved wife and mother. This fund will allow Villa St. Gabriel Villa to benefit for years to come", stated Melanie Kanerva, Chair, St. Joseph's Foundation.

"Mrs. Landry-Sabourin's family has chosen to recognize Monique and her contributions to the community and most specifically Villa St. Gabriel through a Memorial Fund under the auspices of the St. Joseph's Foundation. All of the dollars raised through these funds will go to specific projects and equipment for the Villa residents as chosen by the family on a yearly basis. On behalf of the organization and the residents we serve, I would like to thank the Sabourin family and donors for their generosity", stated Jo-Anne Palkovits, President and CEO/Administrator.

Donations to the *Fonds commémoratif Monique Landry-Sabourin Memorial Fund* can be made by contacting the St. Joseph's Foundation at 705-674-4447 or 1250 South Bay Road, Sudbury, Ontario P3E 6L9.



*Monique Landry-Sabourin*