

Second Chance for Life Foundation and The Mended Hearts, Inc.
Announce Strategic Alliance Agreement

Minneapolis – Feb 23, 2022 - In honor and celebration of National Heart Month, The Mended Hearts, Inc. and Second Chance for Life Foundation (SCFLF) today announced the joint signing of a Strategic Alliance Agreement. The purpose of this alliance is to provide their respective members with better patient and caregiver support options as well as enhancing their educational and support offerings to members and volunteers.

Through this partnership the two organizations will be able to provide increased support to heart patients, caregivers, and family members in the Minneapolis/St. Paul community and beyond.

“The Mended Hearts Inc. offers our patient and caregiver community new education and advocacy opportunities along with a nationally renowned patient visitor program,” said Glen Kelley, President, SCFLF. “With their national presence, MHI can bring SCFLF members more support options throughout their respective heart transplant or ventricular assist device (VAD) journeys.”

“With its team of dedicated volunteers and its experience supporting heart transplant and ventricular device patients, Second Chance for Life Foundation is uniquely positioned to help MHI reach our goal of providing hope and improving the quality of life to all heart patients through peer-to-peer support, education, and advocacy in the greater Minneapolis community,” said Andrea Baer, Executive Director of The Mended Hearts.

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About Second Chance for Life Foundation

Second Chance for Life Foundation helps individuals in advanced heart failure and their caregivers navigate the challenges that come with heart transplant or VAD at University of Minnesota/M Health Fairview medical facilities. Its goal is to help provide what is needed when it is needed whether it is for emotional, financial, or educational needs. SCFLF supports patients and caregivers through education seminars and support groups focused on heart health and living with a heart transplant or VAD.

About The Mended Hearts, Inc.

The Mended Hearts, Inc. is the world’s largest peer-to-peer cardiovascular patient support network with over 75,000 members in 20 countries. MHI’s mission is “To inspire hope and improve the quality of life of heart patients and their families through ongoing peer-to-peer support, education, and advocacy.” Formed in 1951, the USA 501(c) (3) non-profit is the USA’s second oldest non-profit support organization and has been offering support and

encouragement to patients and families of all ages – from pre-natal diagnosis through the lifespan - for over 70 years.