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## Media Release

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### Resthaven Mt Gambier Opens in July

Resthaven Chief Executive Officer, Richard Hearn, said today, 'Resthaven's new \$20 million, 70 room residential aged care facility in Elizabeth Street, Mt Gambier is really taking shape.'

'It will provide much needed support and care for older people, as well as create approximately 100 long term local jobs.' Richard said.

'It is very exciting to see the construction work nearing completion.'

'We plan to start operations at the site in July 2011, and have commenced recruitment of key staff.'

'This gives us time to orientate the staff to become familiar with Resthaven's values and commitment to quality aged care, as well as familiarising themselves with our organisation wide computer-based care planning, competency based systems and processes.'

'Our Head Office Admissions Team is now taking applications for residential care places at the site.'

'We are also encouraging the study of aged care nursing, through the Resthaven 75th Anniversary Undergraduate Second Year Nursing Scholarships. One scholarship is available at Mt Gambier for a full-time student undertaking their second year of the Bachelor of Nursing program.'

'For several years, Resthaven has been providing in home care and support services for older people and their carers throughout the Limestone Coast. The residential facility in Mt Gambier will complement these services.'

Established in 1935, Resthaven Incorporated is respected for the delivery of high quality, responsive care services for older South Australians.

Resthaven currently operates residential aged care facilities at nine locations, offering accommodation to more than 1,000 older people.

A range of in home community care and support options are offered throughout metropolitan Adelaide, the Adelaide Hills, Murraylands and across the Limestone Coast, with more than 6,000 clients benefiting from these services. Resthaven employs approximately 1,500 staff, who are supported by 400 volunteers.

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