

2025 Pause for the Gift of Sight Suggested Event Agenda November 7, 2025

- **12:55 p.m. Gather at the flagpole and quick introduction.**

Note: Please allow time for everyone to gather. The primary purpose of this document is to provide key talking points. Feel free to adjust the schedule and remarks as needed around the 1:02 p.m. Flag raising.

Good Morning. On behalf of [Hospital name] and Miracles In Sight, I want to thank you for joining us as we Pause for the Gift of Sight and celebrate November as National Eye Donation Month. I am [NAME, TITLE].

In just a few minutes, at **1:02**, we will join other hospitals across the Miracles In Sight service area as we raise the Miracles In Sight flag in celebration of Eye Donation Month. This flag-raising honors donors, their families, those who are waiting, and recipients who received the gift of sight. The time of **1:02** signifies that **one** donor can give sight to **two** people.

(Someone can say a prayer or read a Story of Hope.)

Once we raise our flag, we will observe a moment of silence for **30** seconds to recognize over **12 million** people waiting for a life-changing cornea transplant.

- **1:02 p.m. Raise the flag followed by a moment of silence for 30 seconds.**
- **1:05-ish Continue remarks.**

This morning, we recognize the strength and courage of those waiting. We honor the thousands of North Carolina, South Carolina, and Texas donors and donor families that have so selflessly given the gift of sight.

If applicable: Introduce any donor families, living donors, and transplant recipients now and ask them to say a few brief words.

If applicable: Introduce any additional guests or call up other speakers. Following their remarks, thank everyone again for joining today, and if holding additional activities, please provide details on schedule/location.

Finally, today we also want to thank the millions of North Carolinians, South Carolinians, and Texans who have said "Yes," and registered as eye, organ, and tissue donors. We appreciate the efforts of our DMV partners, who ask the question every day as part of their job. Together, we are united in a mission to heal and save lives and create a culture where donation becomes a fundamental human responsibility.

Yet, more must be done. Today, over 12 million men, women, and children are waiting for life-changing

cornea transplants across our country. We ask you to help us continue educating others about the need for more registered eye, organ, and tissue donors. **November is Eye Donation Month** and an excellent time to remember this vital work.

So, throughout November, I challenge you to make it your mission to speak to at least one person about registering to become an eye, organ, and tissue donor. You can say **yes** to donation at the DMV, and a red heart will be placed on their driver's licenses, or register online at **donatelife.org**. Additionally, share your decision to be a donor with your loved ones.

Thank you so much for joining us today and helping us heal and save lives.

Optional: If you plan on having a reception at the end of the ceremony, please let all the guests know to Please join us at a small reception (location)