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**CHA Reaction to Governor Malloy's Call for Bipartisan Talks**

WALLINGFORD – Jennifer Jackson, CEO, CHA, released the following statement in response to Governor Malloy's announcement that more cuts are needed, and his call for bipartisan discussion on the state budget.

*We are hopeful that a special session will result from Governor Malloy calling on legislators for bipartisan talks on the growing budget hole. A budget balanced on the backs of the sick and the poor is unacceptable. We have confidence that our legislative leaders will stop Governor Malloy's reckless cuts and tax increases to hospitals.*

*It is our hope and expectation that legislators on both sides of the aisle will take action to fix the budget for patients and the hospitals that care for them. That is in the best interest of our state's economy.*

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**About CHA**

The Connecticut Hospital Association has been dedicated to serving Connecticut's hospitals since 1919. Through state and federal advocacy, CHA represents the interests of Connecticut's hospitals on key healthcare issues in the areas of quality and patient safety, access and coverage, workforce, population health, health equity, and value-based reimbursement.