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News Release

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James J. Peters VA Medical Center Announces Projects Funded Through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

Bronx, NY – The James J. Peters VA Medical Center, in continuing efforts to enhance the health care experience of their Veteran patients, is pleased to announce the facility's participation in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act through the following special construction projects:

- Replace and Upgrade the Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning handlers and controls in Research Building (\$1,348,000)
- Renovate Geriatric Research, Education and Clinical Center and Geriatric Primary Care - Exam Rooms. (\$740,000)
- Upgrade Boiler Controls for Safety and Efficiency (\$224,000)
- Upgrade Emergency Electrical Systems, Phase 2 (\$3,620,000)
- Replace Mechanical Room Floor (\$627,000)

These five key renovations, totaling more than \$6.5 million dollars, reflect some of the many fast-tracked and “shovel-ready” local projects being funded through the economic stimulus law, known as the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Each contract represents federal stimulus dollars, invested by the federal government and intended to benefit local communities, through employment and contracting opportunities associated with their completion.

“We are pleased to be embarking on these meaningful projects.” stated Medical Center Director, MaryAnn Musumeci, “Infrastructure investment is an on-going enterprise in a medical center this size, but our bottom-line concern is the health

and welfare of the Veterans we serve and the staff we employ. These projects are meaningful investments in their safety and comfort and we are pleased to have the funds to move them forward.”

For more information about the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, you are encouraged to visit the following website: www.recovery.gov

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