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## PRESS RELEASE

## StoneBridge welcomes Derek Johnson as Administrator

**Benton, IL** – StoneBridge Nursing and Rehabilitation is welcoming a friendly face in the Benton community as their new administrator.

Derek Johnson will step into his new position on Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> with a background of knowledge in healthcare, small business, and personnel management.

"StoneBridge Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Benton is a CMS Five-Star rated nursing home, which is a direct reflection of its competent and caring staff," said Johnson. "I look forward to building on StoneBridge's history of excellence by helping lead its team members to provide a clean, comfortable and caring environment for its residents."

Johnson has formerly operated Hobbs-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory as a licensed funeral director, embalmer, and licensed crematory operator. He has also served as the business development officer and chief operating officer at Franklin Hospital.

"We are incredibly excited by the enthusiasm and dedication we know Derek will bring to our employees, residents, and their families," said Scott Stout, CEO of WLC Management Firm, LLC. "We see this transition as the mark of many great things to come for StoneBridge and the community."

Johnson is an active member of the Benton/West City area Chamber of Commerce, the Benton Rotary Club, the Benton Elks, and the American College of Healthcare Executives. WLC Management Firm, LLC manages and staffs six long-term living and rehabilitation facilities in Southern Illinois located in Harrisburg, Carrier Mills, Eldorado, Benton, Du Quoin, and Pinckneyville.



Derek Johnson