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AlectraCARES helps bring advanced cardiac care to young patients at McMaster Children's Hospital

Mississauga, ON – Alectra Inc., through its AlectraCARES Community Support Program, is committing $120,000 over three years to support pediatric cardiac care at McMaster Children's Hospital (MCH), helping bring advanced monitoring technology to children receiving specialized heart care.

Alectra's contribution to the *Big Hearts for Little Hearts* campaign is supporting the purchase of Near-Infrared Spectroscopy (NIRS) Advanced Monitors and Sensors. The equipment uses near-infrared light to continuously and non-invasively monitor oxygen levels in the brain, providing care teams with real-time information that can help inform patient care.

With Alectra's commitment, MCH is able to move forward with this purchase of equipment in 2026, to allow young patients and their care teams to begin benefiting from the technology.

"Supporting the health and well-being of the communities we serve is at the heart of AlectraCARES," said Brian Bentz, President and Chief Executive Officer, Alectra Inc. "McMaster Children's Hospital provides specialized care to children and families from across our service area, and we're proud that our support is helping equip its care teams with advanced technology that can make a meaningful difference for young patients."

McMaster Children's Hospital is the regional centre for pediatric cardiac care in south-central Ontario, providing specialized care to babies and children from communities across the region. Its Heart Health team brings together cardiology, neonatology and maternal fetal medicine to provide specialized care from before birth through adolescence.

"We're extremely grateful for the generosity of Alectra Inc. and its AlectraCARES Community Support Program," said Anissa Hilborn, Chief Executive Officer of Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation. "Their gift helps ensure the littlest hearts from across our region continue to receive the best possible pediatric cardiac care."

Through the *Big Hearts for Little Hearts* campaign, MacKids has raised an extraordinary $4 million to transform pediatric cardiac care. Funds raised will support the redesign and enhancement of cardiac care spaces, leading-edge patient equipment, patient-centred care, training and capacity building, and investment in bench-to-bedside clinical research.

To learn more about the AlectraCARES Community Support Program visit alectra.com/alectracares.

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