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## THE WHITE HOUSE Office of the Press Secretary to Mrs. Ford

Mrs. Ford will dedicate new facilities of the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute in Houston Saturday, Oct. 2 at 2 p.m. The new facilities will make the Hospital one of the world's largest cancer centers.

The Hospital and Tumor Center is a part of the University of Texas system. The construction, completed at a cost of \$70 million, will double M.D. Anderson's size. Expanded facilities include a 330-bed hospital pavilion, two additional floors of research space, an expanded radio erapy center, new outpatient clinics capable of handling 1,200 patients a day and the Institution's first chapel.

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