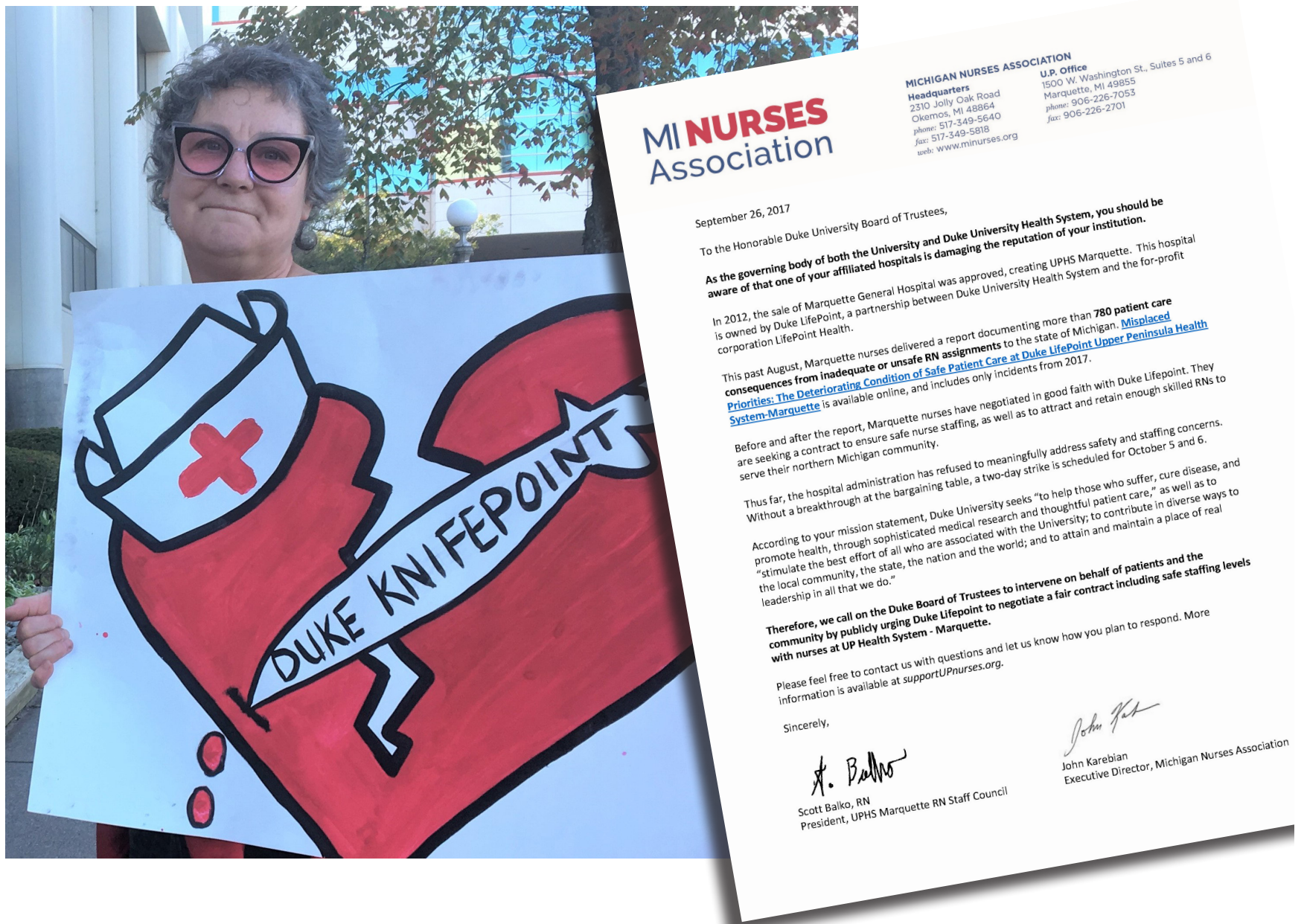




In 2012, non-profit Marquette General Hospital was purchased by Duke LifePoint, which is a for-profit partnership between Duke University Health System and LifePoint Health. Duke University owns a stake in the Marquette hospital, and Duke committed to use its clinical expertise to improve quality standards for patients.

Unfortunately for Duke, it seems that the short-sighted, profit-driven approach of Marquette's hospital management threatens to harm the stellar reputation Duke University Health System has worked so hard to earn.

Nurses value patients over profits. On September 26, they wrote a letter to the Duke University Board of Trustees, requesting their intervention.

To date, no one from Duke University or its health system has responded. That is why Duke LifePoint nurses in Marquette now seek your support, as Duke students and alumni.

On October 5th and 6th, 400 nurses at Duke LifePoint UP Health System went on strike to secure safe, enforceable nurse staffing levels to ensure quality care for their patients in Marquette, MI.

Take action in support of Duke's commitment to quality care. Visit supportUPnurses.org to sign the community petition in support of Marquette nurses and patient safety.

You can also use the website to share a story that may be passed along to the Duke Board of Trustees.