Washington Times reports on Hanger's 150-year history

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Washington, D.C., June 9, 2011 – The *Washington Times* recently reported on James Edward Hanger and the beginnings of Hanger Prosthetics & Orthotics.

Following is an excerpt from the June 8, 2011 *Washington Times* article by Martha M. Boltz titled, “James Edward Hanger: Civil War amputee creates jointed artificial leg”:

> *James Edward Hanger was a strong and healthy young man of 18 and a sophomore at Washington College in Lexington, Virginia when he decided to fight in the War Between the States. He was considered too young to join the Confederate army, but when he found an ambulance corps vehicle carrying food and other supplies for the Confederacy, he simply made himself part of the group. Leaving Churchville, VA, when the group reached Philippi (West) Virginia he enlisted with the Churchville Cavalry on June 2, 1861…*
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> *James Hanger was injured on the first day of his service and while Hanger’s war career would be extremely brief, his reaction to it and his dedication to a different cause would make his name familiar even today.*

To read the full article, click here.

About Hanger Orthopedic Group:
Hanger Orthopedic Group, Inc. (NYSE: HGR), headquartered in Austin, Texas, is the world's premier provider for services and products that enhance human physical capability. Founded in 1861 by James Edward Hanger, the first amputee of the Civil War, Hanger provides orthotic and prosthetic patient care services, distributes O&P devices and components, and provides therapeutic solutions to the broader post acute market. For more information on Hanger, visit www.hanger.com.

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