**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE EAU CLAIRE COOPERATIVE HEALTH CENTER FOR ITS FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF PROVIDING HIGH QUALITY, ACCESSIBLE, COMPASSIONATE HEALTH CARE IN THE SPIRIT OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN TO RESIDENTS OF THE MIDLANDS.

Whereas, originally founded in 1981 to address the needs of the underserved in Columbia, Eau Claire Cooperative Health Center (DBA Cooperative Health), has evolved to become the medical home of more than sixty-one thousand patients in four counties; and

Whereas, patients of Cooperative Health receive high quality, compassionate, and comprehensive health care services, including primary care, dental care, behavioral health counseling, orthopedics, and pharmacy services, in a family-friendly setting; and

Whereas, as the State’s largest Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), Cooperative Health leads by example as a premier provider of choice, enabled to handle diverse patients from all socioeconomic backgrounds, regardless of their ability to pay or their insurance status. In doing so, Cooperative Health generates a tremendous economic impact of over ninety million dollars annually, while providing more than five hundred taxpaying jobs; and

Whereas, for four decades, the presence of Cooperative Health has improved access to care, population health, and the local economy of the Midlands. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate Eau Claire Cooperative Health Center for its fortieth anniversary of providing high quality, accessible, compassionate health care in the spirit of the Good Samaritan to residents of the Midlands.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Eau Clair Cooperative Health Center.

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