## **CONGRESSIONAL PROCLAMATION**

In Recognition of

## Lowell Community Health Center

Upon celebrating 55th years of exemplary service to the Greater Lowell Community during National Health Center Week

WHEREAS, In celebration of National Health Center Week, we honor Lowell Community

Health Center and the more than 1,500 community health centers nationwide that serve as the foundation of our primary care system—providing essential

care to one in every eleven Americans, and;

WHEREAS, The care provided by community health centers like Lowell CHC has never

been more essential—offering not only medical treatment, but also connection, continuity, and compassion at a time when accessible health care is critical to

both individual and community well-being, and;

WHEREAS, In 2025, Lowell Community Health Center proudly celebrates 55 years of

delivering high-quality, culturally competent, and patient-centered care to the people of Greater Lowell—living its mission every day by welcoming every

person, honoring every experience, and building trust with every visit, and;

WHEREAS, Today, Lowell CHC is the health care home of choice for more than 41,000

patients, providing a comprehensive range of services—including primary care, behavioral health, vision and dental care, school-based health, substance

use treatment, pharmacy services, and more, and;

WHEREAS, Each year, Lowell CHC delivers over 160,000 medical visits, generates more

than \$150 million in economic activity, and saves the health care system upwards of \$73 million—powerful proof of the deep value and impact of

accessible, community-based care, and;

WHEREAS, Lowell CHC consistently puts patients first by listening with intention,

responding with compassion, and delivering personalized care that honors the

dignity, diversity, and unique needs of every individual it serves, and;

WHEREAS, As Lowell CHC celebrates this milestone year, it also looks to the future with

hope and purpose, including the launch of a new Family Medicine Residency Program that will train the next generation of physicians, in Lowell and for

Lowell, helping to ensure the strength and sustainability of community-based

care for years to come, and;

WHEREAS, National Health Center Week is a meaningful opportunity to honor the

dedicated staff, board members, and community partners who make this work

possible and who uphold Lowell CHC's enduring commitment to equity,

inclusion, and the transformative Power to Care, and;

THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that Lowell Community Health Center is recognized for 55 years of unwavering service to the people of Greater Lowell and for its leadership in delivering equitable, community-based health care. Lowell CHC is hereby officially honored for its outstanding contributions to public health, its dedication to patient-centered care, and its vital role in advancing health equity across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Given this 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, in the year 2025, and in the 249th year of the independence of the United States. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the seal of the Congress of the United States.

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