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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Woodland Heights Medical Center in Lufkin is

2 celebrating the 100th anniversary of its founding in 2019; and

3 WHEREAS, Established as Lufkin's first hospital, Woodland

Heights is a 149-bed facility offering a complete range of

5 inpatient and outpatient services; the center is staffed by more

6 than 250 physicians, who last year provided care to tens of

7 thousands of patients, performed over 4,700 surgeries, and

8 delivered more than 1,000 babies; and

9 WHEREAS, The hospital's continuous pursuit of excellence has

resulted in many firsts, including the opening of the first

11 cardiovascular center as well as the first neonatal intensive care

12 unit in deep East Texas; over the years, it has received awards for

13 cardiology, pulmonology, neurology, and orthopedic surgery, and it

14 has earned The Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval and the

15 American Heart Association/American Stroke Association's

16 Heart-Check mark for Advanced Certification for Primary Stroke

17 Centers; another notable recent honor was its designation as a

18 Level IV trauma facility by the Texas Department of State Health

19 Services; and

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20 WHEREAS, Under the leadership of CEO Kyle Swift, Woodland

21 Heights has given back generously to its community over the past

22 year through approximately \$47 million in charity and uncompensated

23 care to the area's least privileged residents; it is a major

24 economic force in the community and a significant source of jobs and

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- 1 civic revenue, and it is also a partner of myriad charitable and
- 2 civic organizations, including the Lufkin/Angelina County Chamber
- 3 of Commerce, Junior Achievement, the Lions Club, and the Angelina
- 4 Arts Alliance; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The dedicated physicians, nurses, administrators,
- 6 and staff of Woodland Heights Medical Center are building on a
- 7 long-standing tradition of exceptional medical care, and this
- 8 significant milestone in its history provides a welcome opportunity
- 9 to recognize the important role that it plays in the lives of
- 10 countless area residents; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 12 Legislature hereby commemorate the 100th anniversary of Woodland
- 13 Heights Medical Center and congratulate all those affiliated with
- 14 the hospital on its recent designation as a Level IV trauma
- 15 facility; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 17 prepared for Woodland Heights Medical Center as an expression of
- 18 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.