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## RESOLUTION DECLARING CHATHAM COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER WEEK AUGUST 20-26, 2000

WHEREAS, There are a significant number of residents and citizens in Chatham County who are currently medically underserved for a number of reasons, the most prominent of which include geographical isolation, financial and/or language barriers, and an insufficient number of health providers willing to serve them without regard to ability to pay; and

WHEREAS, the Piedmont Health Services, Inc. is a private, nonprofit corporation that provide high quality comprehensive health care to medically underserved people in Alamance and other counties; and

WHEREAS, the Moncure Health Center and Piedmont Women's Health Center, both operated by Piedmont Health Service, Inc. have made great strides in the Chatham County health care system specifically by maintaining a high standard of accountability, demonstrating cost effectiveness, empowering our community to develop programs to its specific needs, enhancing opportunities for children and families, and providing health care services in accessible low-cost culturally sensitive environments; and

WHEREAS, the Moncure Health Center and Piedmont Women's Health Center have also made a significant difference in the health care system by improving access to quality care provided by trained professionals for the underserved by promoting individual responsibility and health awareness in the community, and offering primary preventive care of the highest quality to reduce preventable deaths, costly disability, and communicable diseases; and

WHEREAS, Community Health Centers like the Moncure Health Center and Piedmont Women's Health Center promote 100% access and zero health disparities to help achieve primary health care for everyone and end disparities;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim the week of August 20 through 26, 2000 as "Community Health Center Week" and urge our citizens to recognize the important contributions of the Moncure Health Center and Piedmont Women's Health Center to the improvement of the general quality of life of the residents of Chatham County.

Adopted this, the 21st day of August, 2000.

Rick Givens, Chairman

Sandra B. Lee, Clerk to the Board

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