

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 130

Approved March 25, 2021

WHEREAS, Providence Community Health Centers has operated as a federal 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization and a Rhode Island domestic nonprofit corporation since 1968 and is the only federally qualified health center in Providence; and

WHEREAS, The organization provides quality primary health care services that are affordable, comprehensive and culturally sensitive to more than 65,000 residents from Providence and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, Providence Community Health Centers offers services that include family practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics, gynecology, behavioral health, optometry, dental care, and express/urgent care; and

WHEREAS, The organization is the largest primary care provider in Providence that treats all patients regardless of their ability to pay; and

WHEREAS, On January 8, 2021 Providence Community Health Centers held a groundbreaking ceremony for its ninth health center location, "PCHC Atwood," located at 31 Atwood Street in Olneyville, which is slated to open in early 2022; and

WHEREAS, The new PCHC Atwood location in Olneyville will provide space for 14,000 more patients to the organization, creating 50 full-time, sustainable paying jobs; and

WHEREAS, The new Olneyville health center location will allow Providence Community Health Centers to better address health and racial equity issues that the neighborhood currently faces; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby support Providence Community Health Centers and its expansion of services with a new health center facility in Olneyville and the effort to exempt the real and tangible personal property taxes of the organization under Rhode Island General Law 44-3-3.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, upon passage, copies of this resolution be sent to the elected Rhode Island House and Senate representatives of the City of Providence.

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAR 18 2021

READ AND PASSED

PRES.

CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.

Mayor
Date: 3/25/21

A true copy,
Attest

Angela J. Harris
Second Deputy City Clerk