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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7

BY SENATOR PEACOCK

COMMENDATIONS. Commends the physicians and staff of the Highland Clinic in Shreveport on its 100th Anniversary.

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To congratulate the officers, physicians, and staff of the Highland Clinic on the occasion of
3	its one hundredth anniversary and to commend them on the extraordinary level of
4	medical care afforded to the Shreveport community.
5	WHEREAS, this unique healthcare facility was the lifelong mission of John A.
6	Hendrick Sr., MD, and in the summer of 1917, Dr. Hendrick and a small band of physicians
7	opened the doors of Highland Clinic Sanatorium to serve the medical needs for both local
8	and rural health care in Shreveport-Bossier; and
9	WHEREAS, in the early 1930s with additional medical services and bed space, the
10	facility became known as the Highland Hospital, and in the 1950s, a small association of ten
11	physicians organized themselves as the Highland Clinic, the name it bears to this day; and
12	WHEREAS, as the regional economy prospered and population grew, so did the
13	Highland Clinic, which today is composed of forty-one physicians and seventeen mid-level
14	providers with numerous medical specialties that include hematology, rheumatology,
15	oncology, urology, orthopaedics, and ophthalmology, with specific care centers for sleep
16	disorders, venous health, cancer treatment, occupational health, diabetes, sports medicine,
17	and pain management; and
18	WHEREAS, with effective leadership and knowledgeable personnel, the Highland

1 Clinic has flourished to become the largest physician-owned, multiple-specialty medical

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center in the Shreveport-Bossier area; and

3 WHEREAS, with the plethora of exceptional medical facilities in the Ark-La-Tex 4 region, the Highland Clinic maintains a high ranking among outstanding healthcare professionals in its level of expertise, accuracy of diagnoses, and successful methods of 5 6 treatment; and

7 WHEREAS, the clinic encompasses seventeen specialties and physicians who share 8 a state-of-the-art digital database for medical recordkeeping that interfaces with NextMD, 9 the patients' online communication access, so that patients may be treated in a more holistic 10 manner; and

11 WHEREAS, the Highland Clinic attracts the best and brightest talent in medicine, 12 including notable physicians such as Dr. Charles Knight Sr., who practiced until retirement 13 in 1992 and then served as medical director for another eight years, and Dr. Carl Goodman, 14 who joined the clinic as an orthopaedic spine surgeon and has celebrated his fiftieth year of 15 medical practice; and

16 WHEREAS, the Highland Clinic continues to introduce new services and innovative features for the convenience of its patients; this philosophy has launched new satellite offices 17 18 in multiple regional markets so that healthcare services can be readily accessible to the 19 people; and

20 WHEREAS, as stewards of the community it serves, the Highland Clinic has 21 launched school supply drives to benefit students in both Caddo and Bossier parishes as a show of gratitude for continued public support throughout the years; and 22

23 WHEREAS, the Highland Clinic has received many accolades and awards far too 24 numerous to count, and CEO Debbie W. Smith, along with the physicians, medical staff, and 25 employees, is extremely proud of the reputation that the clinic has earned; and

WHEREAS, the principles of quality patient care have been at the forefront of the 26 27 century-long mission of the Highland Clinic, "to offer a level of care to its patients that is equivalent to treatment as if a guest in one's home". 28

29 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 30 congratulate the officers, physicians, and staff of the Highland Clinic on the occasion of its

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- 1 one hundredth anniversary and does hereby commend them for the extraordinary level of
- 2 medical care provided to the Shreveport community.
- 3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
- 4 Debbie W. Smith, chief executive officer of the Highland Clinic.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Susan P. Montague.

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