



DURHAM COUNTY HOSPITAL CORPORATION

Your Community Health System

WHEREAS, Duke Regional Hospital is a 369-bed private, not-for-profit hospital located in Durham, North Carolina and is a member of Duke University Health System which provides care to Medicaid recipients through its acute care hospital, emergency department, outpatient department, home health agency, and affiliated physician practices across 32 counties in North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, in the last fiscal year Duke Regional Hospital provided approximately \$23.2 million in charity care to 44,774 patient accounts and \$14.7 million in non-reimbursed cost of treating Medicaid patients, and

WHEREAS, in order to continue to provide access to high quality care in the communities we serve, Duke Regional Hospital depends on community and elected leaders to support policies that promote healthier patient outcomes achieved through increased access to health insurance, and

WHEREAS, policies to expand eligibility for Medicaid would improve the health of more than 500,000 North Carolinians by making health insurance coverage available to them while also creating 43,000 jobs in 5 years and generating billions of dollars in economic activity, and

WHEREAS, policies that ensure adequate reimbursement for services provided to all patients, including Medicaid recipients, will maintain Duke Regional's ability to provide care to all members of the communities we serve.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that:

The Durham County Hospital Corporation Board of Trustees, Duke Regional Hospital's governing board, urges the North Carolina General Assembly and Governor to expand eligibility for Medicaid coverage in North Carolina, and

The Durham County Hospital Corporation Board of Trustees urges the North Carolina General Assembly and Governor to support policies that ensure adequate reimbursement for services provided to all patients.

This resolution was adopted by the Durham County Hospital Corporation Board of Trustees on the 26 day of April in the year 2019 and shall be shared with the members of the North Carolina General Assembly and Governor.

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