



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **CONGRATULATING ALIVIO MEDICAL CENTER ON THEIR 30<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**WHEREAS**, As a result of a passionate vision, strong partnerships and the crucial need for bilingual bicultural medical providers for the uninsured and undocumented, Ms. Carmen Velásquez founded Alivio Medical Center in 1989 as a bilingual bicultural, nonprofit community health center; and

**WHEREAS**, Alivio Medical Center has provided access to quality bilingual, bicultural, and cost-effective healthcare for 30 years; and

**WHEREAS**, all patients at Alivio Medical Center are treated with the principles that healthcare is a basic human right and every person should have access to quality, affordable health coverage; and

**WHEREAS**, Alivio Medical Center has been committed to driving the development and advancement of services to Cook County communities; and

**WHEREAS**, patient services, advocacy, education and research and evaluation have been at the cornerstone of Alivio Medical Center's work; and

**WHEREAS**, Alivio Medical Center creates an environment of care and respect across their clinics; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Quality Leader Award and the Health Center Quality Leader Award were granted to Alivio Medical Center as part of Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA) Quality Improvement Awards; and

**WHEREAS**, Alivio Medical Center exceeded national clinical quality benchmarks, including Healthy People 2020 goals, in chronic disease management, preventive care, and perinatal/prenatal care; and

**WHEREAS**, as the only health center in Illinois who achieved the best overall clinical performance among all health centers, Alivio Medical Center placed in the top 30% of the adjusted quartile rankings for clinical quality measures nationally in HRSA rankings; and

**WHEREAS**, HRSA's Quality Improvement Awards recognize the highest performing health centers nationwide as well as those health centers that have made significant quality improvement gains from the previous year; and

**WHEREAS**, Alivio Medical Center's commitment to providing care that is accessible linguistically and culturally, and affordable financially has made a positive impact on the health of Cook County communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, The Cook County Board President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate the founders, providers, staff, and supporters of Alivio Medical Center on their 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this text be spread upon the proceedings of this Honorable Body and that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Alivio Medical Center in honor of its noble work and remarkable impact.