

**RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-116**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL STRONGLY SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF BROWARD HEALTH TO PURCHASE OR LEASE THE FACILITY COMMONLY KNOWN AS FLORIDA MEDICAL CENTER (FMC); PROVIDING THAT FMC RECENTLY FILED BANKRUPTCY AND COULD CEASE TO OPERATE AT ANY TIME; PROVIDING THAT PLANTATION GENERAL HOSPITAL CLOSED ITS DOORS IN NOVEMBER 2021, RESULTING IN THE LOSS OF ESSENTIAL MEDICAL SERVICES SUCH AS PEDIATRICS, NEONATAL AND TRAUMA CARE; PROVIDING THAT BROWARD HEALTH IS A PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT THAT HAS BEEN PROVIDING FOR THE HEALTH CARE NEEDS OF THE RESIDENTS OF NORTH BROWARD COUNTY SINCE 1938; PROVIDING THAT BROWARD HEALTH IS ONE OF THE TEN LARGEST PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEMS IN THE UNITED STATES; PROVIDING THAT BROWARD HEALTH HAS THE CAPACITY, EXPERIENCE AND RESOURCES TO FILL THE VOID AND PROVIDE FOR THE HEALTH CARE NEEDS OF THE RESIDENTS OF LAUDERHILL AND ALL RESIDENTS OF THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES IN CENTRAL BROWARD COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY VICE MAYOR LAWRENCE "JABBOW" MARTIN)**

WHEREAS, it is publicly known that Florida Medical Center (FMC) recently filed for bankruptcy; and

WHEREAS, due to the fact that FMC has filed bankruptcy, the City Commission of the City of Lauderhill is greatly concerned that FMC will cease to operate at any time; and

WHEREAS, it is also well known that Plantation General Hospital previously ceased to operate and closed its doors in November 2021, resulting in the loss of essential medical services such as pediatrics, neonatal and trauma care assessable to Central Broward County; and

WHEREAS, Broward Health is a public hospital district that has been providing for the health care needs of the residents of North Broward County since 1938; and

WHEREAS, Broward Health is one of the ten largest public hospital systems in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Broward Health has the capacity, experience and resources to fill the void and provide for the health care needs of the residents of the City of Lauderhill and all residents of the surrounding communities in Central Broward County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That the City Commission of the City of Lauderhill strongly supports the efforts of Broward Health to purchase or lease Florida Medical Center (FMC) in order to fill the health care void, and to prevent the total loss of necessary medical care and

services for the residents of Lauderhill and the residents of the surrounding communities in Central Broward County.

SECTION 2. That the City Commission and staff of the City of Lauderhill are committed to assisting Broward Health in its efforts to purchase or lease FMC.

SECTION 3. That the City Clerk is hereby requested to transmit an executed copy of this Resolution to: State Senator Rosalind Osgood, State Representative Daryl Campbell, Congresswoman Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick, Senator Rick Scott, Senator Marco Rubio, the Broward County Commission, State, Broward County municipalities, the media, and all interested persons.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on first reading this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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PRESIDING OFFICER

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