

CITY OF HIGHLAND, KANSAS

PROCLAMATION IN SUPPORT OF HCH HIGHLAND MEDICAL CLINIC

WHEREAS, the City of Highland is a small community of nearly 1,000 residents and is home to Highland Community College, an institution of higher education which, when considering its student body, faculty and staff, nearly doubles the population of the town;

WHEREAS, many rural residents of the Highland area look to the town of Highland for the closest source of personal services available, including medical services;


WHEREAS, Highland has a strong tradition of providing quality medical services to the community, including both clinic-based services and emergency medical services;

WHEREAS, the City of Highland is home to two nursing facilities for aged and disabled individuals.

NOW, THEREFOR, on behalf of the governing body and the citizens of the City of Highland and the surrounding community, I, Charles N. Batchelder, Mayor of said city, hereby proclaim the following:

- The City of Highland and the surrounding community is ready, willing and capable of supporting a viable medical clinic and will provide assistance within its means to do so.
- Said city is aware of, and concerned by, the recent temporary closing of the HCH Highland Medical Clinic.
- Said city believes that the Highland Clinic provides quantitatively viable support for the operations of the Hiawatha Community Hospital.
- Said city would like an opportunity to provide input and support into any decisions to be made by the Hiawatha Hospital Board of Trustees and administration concerning the future operations of such clinic in order to help it reach its true potential.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Charles N. Batchelder, Mayor of the City of Highland, Kansas, do hereby affix my official signature and the Official Seal of the City of Highland, Kansas, upon the motion, and with the full support, of the governing body, effective as of this 8th day of April, 2020.


Charles N. Batchelder, Mayor