

RESOLUTION 2A-24

RESOLUTION REQUESTING HOSPITAL SISTER HEALTH SYSTEM (HSHS) AND PREVEA HEALTH TO WORK COLLABORATIVELY WITH PARTNERS FOR CONTINUATION OF CARE AND SERVICES

WHEREAS, Hospital Sister Health System (HSHS) and Prevea Health have been integral to the local health system in providing quality healthcare and services to the residents in the Chippewa Valley and beyond; and

WHEREAS, HSHS in the Chippewa Valley maintains 140 hospital beds with HSHS and Prevea Health serving 900 expectant mothers, 100 cancer patients, and 50 dialysis patients annually in addition to providing healthcare services and care in areas such as wound care, psychiatric and AODA treatment, and hospice amongst other services; and

WHEREAS, Prevea Health and HSHS account for approximately 13% of GDP in the local community while employing approximately 1,400 individuals in the area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Altoona expresses the deepest appreciation to HSHS and Prevea Health for the steadfast commitment to local healthcare and years of dedicated service to the community; and

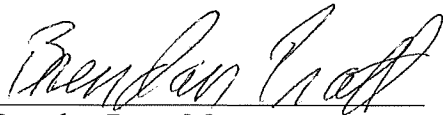
WHEREAS, with the impending closures of HSHS Sacred Heath Hospital in Eau Claire, HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital in Chippewa Falls, Prevea Health locations in the Chippewa Valley, and other facilities part of the HSHS network (i.e. L.E. Phillips-Libertas Treatment Center), the closures will have profound impacts on patients, employees, the public, healthcare, and the local economy; and

WHEREAS, the community would greatly benefit from HSHS and Prevea Health delaying the closures and working collaboratively with the medical community and other local stakeholders to ensure quality healthcare and services continue to be available in the Chippewa Valley.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Brendan Pratt, as the Mayor of the City of Altoona, along with the Altoona City Council requests HSHS and Prevea Health to take the time necessary to allow community stakeholders including, but not limited to, the medical community and local municipalities, to work collaboratively to ensure a continuity of service within the community for the health and well-being of residents.

Adopted this 8th day of February 2024

CITY OF ALTOONA, WISCONSIN



Brendan Pratt, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cindy Bauer, City Clerk

