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

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

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

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

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20 WHEREAS, Eau Claire County expresses the deepest appreciation to HSHS and Prevea Health
21 for the steadfast commitment to local healthcare and years of dedicated service to the community; and

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

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

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32 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors requests
33 HSHS and Prevea Health to utilize the entire transition timeline to allow community stakeholders
34 including, but not limited to, the medical community and local municipalities, to work collaboratively to
35 ensure a continuity of service within the community for the health and well-being of residents.

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37 I hereby certify that the foregoing
38 correctly represents the action taken
39 by the undersigned Committee on
40 February ____, 2024 by a vote of ____
41 for, and ____ against.

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45 Nancy Coffey, Chair
46 Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors

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