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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to
3 congratulate Carle Health Medical Group on the occasion of
4 receiving the 2026 American Medical Group Association (AMGA)
5 Acclaim Award; and

6 WHEREAS, AMGA, a trade association leading the
7 transformation of healthcare in America and representing more
8 than 175,000 practicing physicians, honors healthcare delivery
9 groups that bring the American healthcare system closer to the
10 ideal delivery model, one that is safe, effective,
11 patient-centered, timely, efficient, and equitable, through
12 its Acclaim Award; and

13 WHEREAS, The AMGA Acclaim Award's criteria includes
14 improving the patient experience of care, improving the health
15 of populations with a focus on quality outcomes, reducing the
16 per capita cost of healthcare, and emphasizing workplace
17 wellness; and

18 WHEREAS, Carle Health Medical Group was named the
19 recipient of the 2026 AMGA Acclaim Award in honor of the
20 coordinated and innovative work of Healthy Beginnings, a
21 maternal/child nurse home visiting service that is part of the
22 medical institution's Community Health Initiatives; and

1 WHEREAS, Healthy Beginnings was launched with the clear
2 goal of achieving maternal/child health equity by having
3 specially trained nurses, social workers, community
4 ambassadors, and early childhood educators visit families,
5 starting in early pregnancy and continuing through the child's
6 second birthday; since its 2017 inception, more than 1,200
7 families facing various socioeconomic challenges have enrolled
8 in the service, and in 2024, the service expanded from
9 Champaign County to Vermilion County; and

10 WHEREAS, Through Healthy Beginnings, Carle Health Medical
11 Group was recognized by AMGA for the service's integration
12 with the health system, high enrollee satisfaction, delivery
13 of culturally responsive, relationship-based care, exceptional
14 health and wellness outcomes, and focus on team stability and
15 well-being; and

16 WHEREAS, Carle Health Medical Group receiving the 2026
17 AMGA Acclaim Award highlights the medical institution's
18 unwavering commitment to providing highly accessible,
19 world-class care and service to its community as part of its
20 overarching goal of ensuring that everyone, regardless of
21 their life circumstances, has the opportunity to lead a
22 prosperous and healthy life; and

1 WHEREAS, Carle Health Medical Group is currently led by
2 President and CEO James C. Leonard, M.D., in addition to the
3 Carle Health Executive Leadership Team and the Carle Health
4 Board of Trustees; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Carle
7 Health Medical Group on being the recipient of the 2026
8 American Medical Group Association (AMGA) Acclaim Award, and
9 we thank the medical institution for its continued commitment
10 to serving its community and ensuring its overall well-being;
11 and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to Carle Health Medical Group as an expression of
14 our esteem and respect.