HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 469

Commending the Loudoun Free Clinic.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 3, 2020 Agreed to by the Senate, March 5, 2020

WHEREAS, the Loudoun Free Clinic, a nonprofit organization in Leesburg that supports the health care needs of uninsured and underserved members of the community, was named the Loudoun County Nonprofit of the Year by the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce in 2019; and

WHEREAS, founded by the Catoctin Foundation in 1998, the Loudoun Free Clinic provides doctor visits, medications, tests, surgeries, and transportation to thousands of individuals with emergency, acute, and chronic conditions who, because of their economic situation, would otherwise not have access to these services; and

WHEREAS, initially operating in a space donated by the Loudoun County Health Department, the Loudoun Free Clinic expanded to its current location in 2002, a 2,800-square-foot facility donated by the Inova Loudoun Hospital, that has enabled the organization to better serve its community ever since; and

WHEREAS, over the years, the Loudoun Free Clinic has increased its capacity and now employs eight full-time and five part-time staff, capable of accommodating more than 1,500 patients and 3,000 visits per year; and

WHEREAS, supported financially through grants and donations, the accomplishments of the Loudoun Free Clinic would not be possible without its network of community partners and the volunteers who collectively contribute thousands of hours to the organization each year; and

WHEREAS, by providing quality, compassionate medical care at no cost to the most vulnerable members of society, the Loudoun Free Clinic contributes greatly to both the well-being of others and the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Loudoun Free Clinic for being named the 2019 Loudoun County Nonprofit of the Year by the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Bill Schmidt, chair of the Loudoun Free Clinic, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's mission and best wishes for its continued success.