## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 785**

Commending the Community Free Clinic of Newport News.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 4, 2021 Agreed to by the Senate, February 11, 2021

WHEREAS, the Community Free Clinic of Newport News celebrated its 10th year of providing primary medical and dental care for uninsured Hampton Roads residents in 2020; and

WHEREAS, Golden H. Bethune-Hill founded the clinic on November 23, 2010, after she and her husband, Charlie W. Hill, recognized a need in the community where they were raised; and

WHEREAS, the clinic's mission includes providing primary medical and dental care for uninsured residents, providing a medical home for residents to coordinate care, promoting wellness and disease prevention by offering well clinics and health care education, promoting medical literacy and self-care, providing health care screenings and specialty clinics, and establishing support groups; and

WHEREAS, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Community Free Clinic of Newport News has offered free testing while still providing its services in a safe manner to a community that has been particularly vulnerable to the disease; and

WHEREAS, the Community Free Clinic of Newport News has helped to make Hampton Roads a stronger and healthier community through the selfless efforts of its staff; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Community Free Clinic of Newport News for its 10 years of ensuring that residents receive the health care they need; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Community Free Clinic of Newport News as an expression of the General Assembly's appreciation for its work.