



County of Sonoma  
State of California

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**Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of  
California, Proclaiming National Health Center Week In  
Sonoma County August 6 - 12, 2023**

**WHEREAS**, for over 50 years, America's community health centers have provided high-quality, cost effective, equitable, and accessible primary and preventative care regardless of ability to pay; and

**WHEREAS**, Sonoma County community health centers welcome all, address the needs of all populations and promote health equity; and

**WHEREAS**, Sonoma County community health centers reduce healthcare disparities, overcome barriers to healthcare access, including geography, income, insurance status, and measurably improve the health and wellbeing of their patients; and

**WHEREAS**, Sonoma County community health centers continue to be strong partners with County of Sonoma Health Department and Public Health Officer; and

**WHEREAS**, Sonoma County community health centers are the core safety-net providers to our most vulnerable populations, many of which are at increased risk for chronic diseases, infectious diseases, and poor health outcomes; and

**WHEREAS**, Sonoma County community health centers have promoted innovative ways to provide preventative and primary care to patients such as telehealth; by ensuring patients can access basic necessities like food, housing resources, by advocating for additional resources and supports for their patients; and

**WHEREAS**, Community health centers are the health care home for over 30 million Americans in over 14,000 communities across the nation, with one in every 5 California residents receiving their care at a community health center; and

**WHEREAS**, Sonoma County community health centers provide care to over 115,000 patients annually including over 65,000 Medi-Cal insured patients and nearly 28,000 uninsured patients; and

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**WHEREAS**, National Health Center Week offers the opportunity to honor Sonoma County’s community health centers, and acknowledges their mission-driven staff, volunteers, and board members for their service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma hereby proclaims the week of August 6–12, 2023 as “National Health Center Week” in Sonoma County and encourages Sonoma County residents to celebrate the important partnership between Sonoma County’s community health centers and the communities they serve.

**Supervisors:**

Gorin:

Rabbitt:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Coursey:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

**So Ordered.**