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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1086

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A RESOLUTION to recognize May 10-16, 2020, as Hospital Week in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, National Hospital Week is an annual observance to recognize the important roles hospitals play in the healthcare system, communities, and the economy; and

WHEREAS, the theme of National Hospital Week for 2020 is "Where Health Comes First"; and

WHEREAS, hospitals are often the first place individuals visit to receive healthcare services and are a safety net for many; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's hospitals offer access to care for every individual, regardless of the individual's ability to pay; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's hospitals strive to provide the highest quality care possible while focusing on patient safety; and

WHEREAS, hospitals in the State of Tennessee employ more than 106,000 individuals and are often the largest employers in their communities, serving as the economic engines in their counties; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's hospitals have an annual economic impact of more than \$21 billion; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly recognize and honor the healthcare professionals who support the health and well-being of their communities and patients through the dedication and care they provide on a daily basis at Tennessee's hospitals; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to thank the hospitals across this State for everything they do to provide access to compassionate care and high-quality services for the citizens of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend the hospitals in the State of Tennessee and recognize May 10-16, 2020, as Hospital Week for the outstanding and essential healthcare services these hospitals provide to the citizens of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.