

2015 Assembly Joint Resolution 114

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: commemorating the 100th anniversary of Marshfield Clinic and declaring Thursday, October 13, 2016, as Marshfield Clinic Day in Wisconsin.

Whereas, in 1916, six physicians—K.W. Doege, M.D.; William Hipke, M.D.; Victor Mason, M.D.; Walter G. Sexton, M.D.; H.H. Milbee, M.D.; and Roy P. Potter, M.D.—who practiced in Marshfield joined in group practice and named the practice after the community; and

Whereas, the founding focus of the Marshfield Clinic was patient care, research, and education, and those founding principles continue to be the core mission of the clinic today; and

Whereas, Marshfield Clinic is the largest private–group medical practice in Wisconsin and one of the largest rural–group practices in the United States, with more than 700 physicians representing over 80 different medical specialties and subspecialties, from cardiology and neurology to oncology, more than 6,000 employees, and over 50 locations in northern, central, and western Wisconsin; and

Whereas, Marshfield Clinic is a not–for–profit organization that has provided access to health care for those in need who do not have the ability to pay; and

Whereas, Marshfield Clinic has committed itself to providing care to patients in rural Wisconsin and beyond; and

Whereas, Marshfield Clinic has nearly 4 million annual patient encounters and 350,000 annual unique patients in the clinic system; and

Whereas, in addition to Marshfield Clinic Health System, Marshfield Clinic has expanded and formed entities in the organization that are beneficial to the community and consistent with its mission of world–class patient care, research, and education including:

- Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation, a research organization with six research centers: National Farm Medicine Center, Clinical Epidemiology and Population Health, Center for Human Genetics, Biomedical Informatics Research Center, Clinical Research Center, and Institute for Oral and Systemic Health.

- Laird Center for Medical Research, a medical research and education facility on the campus of Marshfield Clinic, named after former Congressman and U.S. Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird.

- Lawton Center for Research and Education, dedicated to Dr. Ben Lawton, a prominent thoracic surgeon at Marshfield Clinic who practiced until his death in the 1980s and served as a president of the University of Wisconsin Board of Regents.

- Marshfield Clinic’s Division of Education, which helps provide residency programs for medical school graduates in a variety of medical disciplines.

allergens, and mycotoxins.

- Marshfield Clinic Information Systems, an information technology company dedicated to delivering and managing cutting–edge products and services for health care providers and a product of Marshfield Clinic’s 50–year commitment to the use of information technology to benefit patients and physicians in the pursuit of excellent medical care; and

Whereas, Marshfield Clinic has demonstrated time and time again what it is to be on the leading edge of patient care delivery and medical research, as demonstrated by its early involvement in the use of computerized medical records, creation of a provider–sponsored health plan, and success in the Physician Group Practice Demonstration Project and as noted through international recognition and numerous national awards; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the legislature hereby declares Thursday, October 13, 2016, as Marshfield Clinic Day in Wisconsin.

Senator Mary Lazich
President of the Senate

Representative Robin J. Vos
Speaker of the Assembly

Date

Patrick E. Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk