

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in 2005, Salem Free Clinics (SFC) was established with a mission to bridge the gap in healthcare access by providing quality, compassionate care at no cost to individuals in need; and

WHEREAS, SFC has been a vital resource in the greater Salem area, offering free medical, dental, and counseling services to uninsured and underserved individuals in need, regardless of their background or circumstances; and

WHEREAS, SFC has grown from hosting clinics in a middle school gymnasium to operating a permanent facility, and has expanded its services to include specialized programs for diabetes care, mental health counseling in partnership with Corban University, and rural outreach through the Polk Community Free Clinic; and

WHEREAS, the success of SFC has been made possible by the dedication of 35 volunteer providers, more than 50 nurses, over 150 support volunteers, and the generosity of donors and community partners. Because of this community effort, Salem Free Clinics delivered more than 6,500 patient appointments to over 2,000 individuals just in the past year; and

WHEREAS, SFC's work reflects a powerful commitment to equity, dignity and care for all residents, serving as a critical safety net for those in need and reducing the burden on local emergency healthcare systems. SFC is a shining example of what a community can accomplish when compassion, service and innovation come together to meet urgent human needs; and

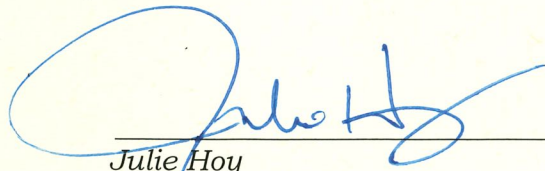
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Julie Hoy, Mayor of the City of Salem, do hereby recognize

SALEM FREE CLINICS 20TH ANNIVERSARY

and urge all residents to honor its unwavering dedication to improving public health and advancing the dignity and wellness of all members of our community.

DATED this eighth day of September, 2025.




Julie Hoy
Mayor