

RESOLUTION NO.: R-2020-047

Requesting Prisma Health Provide Information regarding Sale of Medical Facilities

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WHEREAS, as the City of Columbia, South Carolina located in Richland and Lexington Counties, we join elected leaders in Fairfield, Kershaw, Lexington and Richland Counties in asking Prisma Health to provide more information to the public, and to us, regarding the impending acquisition of Providence Hospital in Downtown Columbia, Providence Hospital in North East Columbia, KershawHealth Hospital in Camden, and the Providence Health-Fairfield Emergency Room in Winnsboro. All health care facilities are currently owned by LifePoint Health out of Brentwood, Tennessee; and,

WHEREAS, prior to March 6, 2020 media coverage publicly announcing the impending sale of these health care service providers, we had not been informed or consulted about this important change to the delivery of health care services in our communities. Our citizens deserve transparency and a voice in the future of health care where they call home; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbia, South Carolina this 10th day of March, 2020 that together, as elected leaders in the Midlands, we call on Prisma Health to slow down the process of this impending sale and begin a conversation with the citizens that count on available health care services in their communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Columbia requests Prisma to meet with senior staff to discuss plans for the purchase of Providence Health in Downtown Columbia and the continued operation of Prisma Health Richland and Prisma Health Baptist in Downtown Columbia and the Prisma Health Baptist Parkridge Hospital in Northwest Columbia.

Requested by:

Assistant City Manager Palen _____



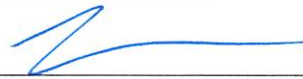
Mayor

Approved by:



City Manager

Approved as to form:



City Attorney

ATTEST:


City Clerk

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