

RESOLUTION NO. R-01-13

A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING PROMPT RECONCILIATION OF DIFFERENCES IN CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN CONWAY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER AND CONWAY REGIONAL PHYSICIAN HOSPITAL ORGANIZATION AND HEALTH ADVANTAGE HMO AND ARKANSAS FIRSTSOURCE PPO, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Conway Regional Medical Center (CRMC) and its affiliate, Conway Regional Physician Hospital Organization (CRPHO), are reputable health care organizations which provide many necessary health care services to Conway and the surrounding area; and,

WHEREAS, Health Advantage HMO and Arkansas FirstSource PPO are reputable health care insurance carriers which provide health care insurance services to many citizens of Conway and the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, health care service provider contract negotiations between these health care organizations and health care insurance carriers have come to an impasse and subsequently, have been suspended indefinitely; and

WHEREAS, current service provider contracts between these health care organizations and health care insurance carriers will expire on December 31, 2001; and

WHEREAS, upon expiration of these contracts, many citizens of Conway and the surrounding area will experience great hardship and difficulty in coordinating local health services and health insurance coverage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS:

That CRMC and CRPHO and Health Advantage HMO and Arkansas Firstsource PPO are strongly encouraged to immediately re-enter into good faith contract negotiations, to reconcile differences, and to ratify, in a timely manner, a fair and equitable contract which will adequately serve the health care needs and interests of the citizens of Conway and the surrounding area.

THIS RESOLUTION adopted this 13 day of November, 2001.

APPROVED:



Mayor Tab Townsell

ATTEST:



City Clerk Michael O. Garrett