A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE OUTSTANDING FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE SUPPORT GIVEN BY THE PATIENT-CENTERED OUTCOMES RESEARCH INSTITUTE (PCORI) FOR HEALTH CARE OPTIONS TO PATIENTS AND PROVIDERS IN THE MISSISSIPPI DELTA.

WHEREAS, the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI), is an independent nonprofit, nongovernmental organization located in Washington, D.C., that was authorized by Congress in 2010. It was designed to improve the quality and relevance of evidence available to help patients, caregivers, clinicians, employers, insurers and policymakers make informed health decisions. Specifically, it funds comparative clinical effectiveness research, or CER, as well as supports work that will improve the methods used to conduct such studies; and

WHEREAS, patients, their families, and clinicians face a wide range of complex and often confusing choices when it comes to addressing their health care concerns. They need trustworthy information to decide which option is for them. Unfortunately, traditional medical research, for all of the remarkable advances in health care it produces, has not always been able to answer many of the questions that patients and clinicians face daily. Even when reliable information does exist, it is not always available to patients, or those who care for them, in ways they can understand or use most effectively; and

WHEREAS, PCORI was established to help address these challenges. Its job is to close the gap in evidence needed to improve key health concerns by identifying critical research questions, funding patient-centered comparative clinical effectiveness research, or CER, and disseminating the results in ways that the end-users of our work will find useful and valuable. For patients, this strategy means providing information about which approaches to care might work best, given their particular concerns, circumstances and preferences. For clinicians, it means focusing on providing evidence-based information about questions they face daily in practice. For insurers, it means producing evidence that can help them make the best decisions on how to improve health outcomes for their members. For researchers, it means supporting studies designed to build a much-needed base of useful evidence for improving outcomes in high-burden, high-impact conditions; and

WHEREAS, a family physician, clinical epidemiologist, and health services researcher, PCORI Executive Director Joe Selby, M.D., MPH, has more than 35 years of experience in patient care, research and administration. He is responsible for identifying strategic issues and opportunities for PCORI and implementing and administering programs authorized by the PCORI Board of Governors; and

WHEREAS, the goal of PCORI work is to determine which of the many health care options available to patients and those who care for them work best in particular circumstances; and

WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we pay tribute to the contributions of this excellent corporate citizen in supporting health care in the Mississippi Delta:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby recognize the outstanding financial and resource support given by the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) for health care option to patients and providers in the Mississippi Delta and extend our best wishes to the University of Southern Mississippi and the Fannie Lou Hamer Cancer Foundation on the occasion of the Mississippi Rural Delta PCORI Partnership Community Celebration on April 4, 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to the Executive Director of PCORI, the President of the University of Southern Mississippi and the Director of the Fannie Lou Hamer Cancer Foundation, and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

ADOPTED BY THE SENATE
March 20, 2017

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR TATE REEVES
PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
March 25, 2017

PHILIP GUNN
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATOR LYDIA GRAVES CHASSANIOL, DISTRICT 14
PROCLAMATION
PATIENT-CENTERED OUTCOMES RESEARCH INSTITUTE (PCORI)
APRIL 4, 2017

WHEREAS, The Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI), an independent nonprofit, nongovernmental organization located in Washington, DC, was authorized by Congress in 2010; and

WHEREAS, This institute is designed to improve the quality and relevance of evidence available to help patients, caregivers, clinicians, employers, insurers, and policy makers make informed health decisions. Funding comparative clinical effectiveness research, or CER, gives PCORI the tools and improves the methods used to conduct such studies; and

WHEREAS, The goal of PCORI work is to determine which of the many healthcare options available to patients and those who care for them work best in particular circumstances. By involving patients, caregivers, clinicians, and other Health care stakeholders, along with researchers, PCORI addresses all their concerns; and

WHEREAS, PCORI’s chairman, Dr. Grayson Norquist, awarded The University of Southern Mississippi a $250,000.00 grant to support the work that is done in the Delta, which includes the City of Greenwood; and

WHEREAS, PCORI was established to help patients, their families, and clinicians with complex and confusing choices by providing trustworthy information and options. For Patients, PCORI provides information; for clinicians, PCORI provides evidence based information; for insurers, PCORI helps them make the best decisions for health care; for researchers, PCORI supports studies designed to build a database for improving outcomes.

THEREFORE, I, Mayor Carolyn McAdams, and the entire City Council, support the efforts of PCORI and appreciate the benefits it brings to the citizens of the City of Greenwood and Leflore County.

I THEREFORE set my hand and seal as do the Council members of the City of Greenwood, this 7th day of March, 2017.

Carolyn McAdams
Mayor

Councilman David Jordan

Councilman Ronnie Stevenson

Councilman Carl Palmer

Councilwoman Lisa Cookston

Councilman Charles McCoy

Councilman Johnny Jennings

Councilman Andrew Powell