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Summary: Community Health Worker Awareness Week in SC

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A house RESOLUTION

to declare the week of August 25 through August 29, 2025, as “Community Health Worker Awareness Week” in South Carolina, in recognition of the vital contributions that community health workers make to public health, and to encourage continued support and collaboration at all levels to advance their work and improve health outcomes statewide.

Whereas, Community Health Workers (CHWs) are frontline public health professionals with shared lived experience, embedded in the communities they serve; and

Whereas, CHWs connect individuals in under-resourced areas to healthcare and essential services, helping them gain the knowledge and tools to live healthier lives; and

Whereas, a recent study shows that for every dollar invested in CHWs, South Carolina sees an almost five dollar return on investment; and

Whereas, CHWs improve service access, quality, and cultural humility through outreach, personalized education, elevation of community voices, and social support, strengthening both individual and community well-being; and

Whereas, CHWs support individuals and communities by amplifying their needs and helping them navigate systems; and

Whereas, CHWs comprise a community-based workforce which is professionally trained and certified and is employed across sectors, including in rural and urban areas, health centers, social service agencies, and health systems, to reduce barriers to care; and

Whereas, research for decades has confirmed the effectiveness of CHWs in such areas as maternal and child health, chronic disease, immunization, HIV, and oral health, while reducing emergency room use and healthcare costs; and

Whereas, CHWs serve in diverse roles, such as care coordination, health education, coaching, outreach, and system navigation, and contribute to assessments, evaluation, and research; and

Whereas, CHWs support workforce development, training, and mentoring across the State. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, declare the week of August 25 through August 29, 2025, as “Community Health Worker Awareness Week” in South Carolina, in recognition of the vital contributions that community health workers make to public health, and encourage continued support and collaboration at all levels to advance their work and improve health outcomes statewide.

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