

PROCLAMATION

Honoring the McHenry County Department of Health for its 60th Anniversary

WHEREAS, the McHenry County Board established the Department of Health on April 12, 1966; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health grew over the decades to combat a variety of health challenges from the spread of tuberculosis and other contagious diseases, to the dangers of improperly maintained wells and septic systems, to the care for the community's creatures, whether they walk, fly, swim, or slither; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health is made up of five divisions united by a single mission: to protect and promote the health safety and wellbeing of those who live, learn, work and play in McHenry County, including: Public Health Nursing, which provides immunizations, lead screenings, breast and cervical cancer screenings, STI and TB testing and treatment, communicable disease monitoring and control, health education, and medical case management for youth in care; Environmental Health, which protects the quality of our water and food, monitors environmental dangers borne by mosquitos and other pests, and works to address solid waste; Veterinary Public Health, which protects the community's animals, thwarts the spread of rabies, and adopts pets into forever homes; Community Health, which provides access to healthy foods, nutrition education and breastfeeding support through the supplemental nutrition program known as WIC, offers chronic disease prevention programming, and ensures we are prepared for public health emergencies; and Health Administration, which plans the direction of the divisions, budgets, maintains records, disseminates information to the public, and houses the epidemiology program which compiles, analyzes, and distributes health data.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, by this County Board of McHenry County, Illinois, that it hereby congratulates and thanks the McHenry County Department of Health for sixty (60) years of service to the people of McHenry County; and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized to distribute a certified copy of this Proclamation to the McHenry County Department of Health Administrator.

DATED at Woodstock, Illinois, this 21st day of April, A.D., 2026.

Michael Buehler, Chairman
McHenry County Board

ATTEST:

Joseph J. Tirio, County Clerk



McHenry County Board

County Board Room
Woodstock, IL 60098

Meeting: April 21, 2026
Department: County Administration
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SUBJECT: Honoring the McHenry County Department of Health for its 60th Anniversary

Board / Committee Action Requested:

To honor the McHenry County Department of Health for its 60th Anniversary.

Background and Discussion: None.

Impact on Human Resources: None.

Impact on Budget (Revenue; Expenses, Fringe Benefits): None.

Impact on Capital Expenditures: None.

Impact on Physical Space: None.

Impact on Other County Departments or Outside Agencies: None.

Conformity to Board Ordinances, Policies and Strategic Plan: This proclamation aligns with the 2025-2028 McHenry County Strategic Plan Goal 2, Continue County-wide recruitment and retention efforts for qualified/skilled employees as it recognizes the contributions of a department with 60 years of dedication to our residents.