

Resolution Regarding

Medicare Proposed Site-Neutral Reimbursement Legislation

WHEREAS, proposed federal legislation related to Medicare site neutral reimbursement will result in the elimination of hospital-based Medicare reimbursement for physician clinics; and

Whereas, the proposed legislation would result in a \$3 million annual loss of revenue to Olympic Medical Center; and

Whereas, the annual \$3 million loss to OMC will impact its ability to maintain the current level of health services to the community; and

Whereas, OMC is one of a small minority of rural hospital providers across the nation; and

Whereas, OMC is designated a "Sole Community Hospital" and a "Safety Net Hospital" because it serves a large rural area with an 80% government payers mix;

Be it therefore resolved that the Clallam County Democrats urge Senators Cantwell and Murray to work to create an exception for Olympic Medical Center to the proposed federal legislation related to Medicare site neutral reimbursement.