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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2026

HOUSE RESOLUTION

HONORING THRIVE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, INC. ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY AND RECOGNIZING ITS ENDURING IMPACT ON THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF RHODE ISLANDERS

Introduced By: Representatives Bennett, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Chippendale, Tanzi, Fogarty, Shallcross Smith, Edwards, Diaz, and Shanley

Date Introduced: April 09, 2026

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, For fifty years, Thrive Behavioral Health, Inc. has played a vital role in
2 strengthening the health and well-being of individuals and families across the State of Rhode
3 Island by expanding access to high-quality, affordable behavioral health care; and

4 WHEREAS, Founded as Kent County Mental Health Center, Thrive Behavioral Health,
5 Inc. has evolved over five decades to meet the changing and increasingly complex needs of the
6 community, demonstrating a steadfast commitment to innovation, compassion, and service; and

7 WHEREAS, A defining milestone in Thrive's history occurred in 2018, when The Kent
8 Center merged with Riverwood Mental Health Services, significantly enhancing its capacity to
9 provide integrated, comprehensive behavioral health services and expanding its reach throughout
10 the region; and

11 WHEREAS, Thrive Behavioral Health, Inc. is distinguished by its holistic, recovery-
12 oriented approach, providing not only clinical treatment but also critical wraparound services that
13 address housing, employment, and other social determinants of health, thereby removing barriers
14 to long-term stability and success; and

15 WHEREAS, In 2024, Thrive was designated as the Certified Community Behavioral
16 Health Clinic for Kent County, a recognition that has enabled the organization to deliver
17 enhanced care coordination, expand access to services, and improve outcomes for individuals
18 with complex behavioral health needs; and

19 WHEREAS, Through the dedication of its highly trained and compassionate staff, Thrive

1 utilizes evidence-based practices to support individuals in managing mental health and substance
2 use challenges, reducing unnecessary hospitalizations, and empowering clients to live
3 successfully within their communities; and

4 WHEREAS, Thrive Behavioral Health, Inc. is a founding member of Horizon Healthcare
5 Partners and has earned national recognition as a leader in the delivery of community-based
6 behavioral health services, setting a standard of excellence for others to follow; and

7 WHEREAS, Thrive has positively impacted thousands of lives, fostering resilience and
8 equipping individuals with the tools, skills, and support necessary to lead healthy, productive, and
9 fulfilling lives; now, therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That this House of the State of Rhode Island hereby congratulates and
11 honors Thrive Behavioral Health on the occasion of its 50th Anniversary, and expresses its
12 deepest gratitude for the organization's enduring commitment to improving the lives of Rhode
13 Islanders; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
15 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Dawn Allen, President & CEO, Thrive
16 Behavioral Health, Inc.

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