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## **IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS (TACHC) HONORING REPRESENTATIVE ARMANDO WALLE WITH THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER CHAMPION AWARD**

February 22, 2022- Austin, TX— Texas Association of Community Health Centers (TACHC), a private, not-for-profit membership association committed to advancing equitable access to quality healthcare in Texas, is pleased to present Representative Armando Walle (D-Houston District 140), with TACHC's Community Health Center Champion Award. Representative Walle was honored for his commitment to the Texas community health centers and the millions of people they serve.

"Community Health Centers provide important medical services to millions of patients across Texas who would otherwise lack access to care," said Rep. Walle. "Texas legislators must continue to work together to support the role health centers play in preserving and expanding access to high-quality, cost-effective care in the communities they serve."

Jana Eubank, executive director of TACHC, helped present Rep. Walle with his award at the HOPE Clinic Aldine, in his district. "We congratulate Rep. Walle for this award and for his leadership and support of our mission to expand access and provide affordable healthcare to the 1.6 million Texans served by health centers in Texas."

There are 73 Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) in Texas, with over 650 clinical sites in 137 counties. In 2020, TX health centers served 1.6 million patients through 5.6 million clinical visits.

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#### **About TACHC:**

The Texas Association of Community Health Centers (TACHC) is a private, not-for-profit membership association committed to advancing equitable access to quality healthcare in Texas by supporting and advocating for community health centers (also known as federally qualified FQHCs, or health centers).

TACHC is the federally designated primary care association for Texas. TACHC assists members in providing high-quality, comprehensive primary care and addressing the full spectrum of health center needs so they can focus on patient care.

**TACHC's members include federally qualified health centers and other providers who strive to meet the uninsured and underserved healthcare needs. Members operate in Texas's urban, rural, and frontier areas, all with the mission of advancing access to healthcare for all Texans.**