

Mo-Bull Nurse Medical Clinic Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Remarks for USF President Rhea Law

March 31, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

Good morning! I am so pleased to be here for this momentous occasion — the ribbon cutting of the USF College of Nursing's Mo-Bull Nurse Medical Clinic.

The USF College of Nursing is advancing nursing education and meeting the most fundamental needs of underserved populations throughout the Tampa Bay region.

Graduates from the College of Nursing are uniquely poised to improve care and reduce health disparities and health inequities in local communities for years to come.

The Mo-Bull Nurse Medical Clinic will empower our nursing students to grow in their respective roles by providing focused care within the community.

This new community resource will also allow us to attract more people to the nursing profession by recruiting and supporting students and faculty who wish to serve diverse backgrounds and underrepresented populations.

It will foster a community-based learning environment that mentors nursing students to identify and implement evidence-based best

practices in medically underserved communities.

The University of South Florida is committed to serving as a vital resource for our community — and the Mo-Bull Nurse Medical Clinic is a terrific example of what this looks like in practice.

Together, we are making quality healthcare more accessible in our communities, and we are improving the quality of life for everyone who calls the Tampa Bay region home.

I congratulate Dean Menon and the rest of her team in the College of Nursing for reaching this important milestone. I know this has been a passion project of yours for quite some time, and I am so happy to see it come to fruition!

You are all doing important work, and I thank you for what you have done *and* what you will continue to do in the future. I hope to one day have the opportunity to ride along with your team as you provide care services in our community.

Thank you all for joining us today and for your continued support of our great university. Go Bulls!

Now, please join me in welcoming Executive Vice President for USF Health and Dean of the Morsani College of Medicine, Dr. Charly Lockwood.