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CELEBRATING MONMOUTH COUNTY'S FIRST HOSPITAL

MONMOUTH MEDICAL CENTER,

formerly known as Monmouth Memorial Hospital, began as several rented rooms above Arnold's Delicatessen on Broadway back in 1887. A group of businessmen rented these rooms above the Deli so that local children could be treated for a medical epidemic that had struck the community at that time.

One hundred and twenty-five years later, Monmouth Medical Center encompasses more than a dozen buildings on a million-square foot campus. On Wednesday, September 12, members of the hospital family gathered with local dignitaries for the 125th Anniversary Celebration of Monmouth Medical Center.

During the celebration, Monmouth

Medical Center president and chief executive officer Frank J. Vozos, M.D., FACS, provided a brief historical overview of the hospital and a glimpse at its next 125 years.

"The region is rich with good health care and we like to think that this is where it all started," he said.

The program, which was held outside the main entrance, also featured a performance by the Long Branch High School Band. In addition, highlights of the event included the unveiling of a plaque created by the Long Branch Historical Association, which will become part of the "History Trail" being developed throughout Long Branch, and the playing of a video featuring testimonials by longtime MMC employees.

TO VIEW THE VIDEO, VISIT THE HOSPITAL WEB SITE AT **WWW.BARNABASHEALTH.ORG/MONMOUTH.**

