

In support of the Women's Health Protection Act (HR 3755 and S 1975)

WHEREAS several Republican-controlled state governments, including Mississippi and Texas, have recently enacted laws that blatantly violate the reproductive rights of women by making it practically impossible for women in those states to obtain legal abortions, and in one instance (Texas) relying on enforcement by vigilantes, thereby inciting Americans to snoop into one another's private affairs and inform on each other – a procedure resembling the social-control methods of Fascist and Communist dictatorships – and

WHEREAS the Republican-controlled United States Supreme Court appears poised to sustain these oppressive laws, by reversing the 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision which – though weakened by later Court rulings – has for half a century protected every American woman's fundamental right to control the medical decisions that affect her personal bodily health; and

WHEREAS the Women's Health Protection Act (HR 3755 in the House and S 1975 in the Senate) – which recently passed the U.S. House of Representatives on a party-line vote, with Democrats in favor and Republicans opposed – will codify the provisions of *Roe v. Wade* in federal law, and will thereby safeguard the rights guaranteed by that decision against assaults by hostile state governments and a politicized Supreme Court;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the San Bernardino County Democratic Party calls on the U. S. Senate to swiftly pass the Women's Health Protection Act, in the confident expectation that President Biden – who has endorsed the codification of *Roe* – will sign it into law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we especially commend one of our county's federal Representatives, Judy Chu (CD27), leading sponsor of HR 3755, for her many years leading the effort to enact this legislation in the House.