

1 [Calling on Congress to pass meaningful healthcare reform that promotes a holistic approach
2 to women’s health, including access to reproductive choice for all and a robust public option]

3 **Resolution calling on Congress to pass meaningful healthcare reform that promotes a**
4 **holistic approach to women’s health with access to reproductive choice for all and a**
5 **robust public option; opposing the Stupak-Ellsworth-Pitts Amendment and an**
6 **amendment proposed by Senator Ben Nelson that would limit reproductive choice;**
7 **supporting a strong public option like that proposed by Senator John D. Rockefeller or**
8 **Representative Raul Grijalva; urging the United States Senate to pass meaningful**
9 **healthcare reform that ensures access to health services, including reproductive**
10 **health; urging the US Senate to continue opposing the inclusion of anti-choice**
11 **language in health care reform; encouraging conferees to remove the Stupak**
12 **amendment and include a robust public option; and commending members of the**
13 **California congressional delegation who supported a robust public option and**
14 **opposed the restrictions on reproductive choice.**

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17 WHEREAS, The United States Senate is currently debating comprehensive healthcare
18 reform; and

19 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors adopted File # 090968 in support
20 of President Obama’s healthcare principles including a robust public option; and,

21 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors has passed many resolutions
22 supporting access to reproductive choice, including File #050019 which urged all legal
23 authorities to fully facilitate the protection of the right of women to control their reproductive
24 health.

1 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives passed legislation to enact healthcare
2 reform, HR 3962, that included a public option but also an amendment by Representative Bart
3 Stupak of Michigan that limits reproductive choice in that public option and an insurance
4 "exchange" and would deny millions of American women access to reproductive health
5 services; and,

6 WHEREAS, The United States Senate now has an opportunity to pass meaningful
7 healthcare reform that ensures women's reproductive health; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco supports meaningful
9 healthcare reform that promotes a holistic approach to women's health that includes access to
10 reproductive choice for all and a robust public option; and be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco opposes the
12 Stupak-Pitts-Ellsworth Amendment and an amendment proposed by Senator Ben Nelson and
13 calls on the United States Senate to pass healthcare reform that protects a woman's right to
14 access reproductive health services, including abortion; and, be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco supports a robust
16 public option like that proposed by Senator John D. Rockefeller or Representative Raul
17 Grijalva, so everyone has access to adequate healthcare including reproductive choice; and
18 be it

19 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco urges House and
20 Senate conferees to remove the Stupak amendment and include a robust public option; and,
21 be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That City and County of San Francisco commends members
23 of the California congressional delegation who opposed the Stupak amendment or Senator
24 Nelson's amendment and supported a robust public option.

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