RESOLUTION NO. _____

A Resolution Declaring the County of San Diego a Champion of Reproductive Freedom

WHEREAS, the reproductive rights movement is facing the most aggressive attacks to safe and legal access to abortions in decades with serious implications for communities across the country;

WHEREAS, nearly 600 pieces of legislation attacking access to safe legal abortions and women's rights were introduced around the nation this year alone, it is clear we must act to protect these hard fought rights;

WHEREAS, the impact of these restrictions, bans, and attacks on reproductive freedom disproportionately impact populations that already face barriers to accessing care— communities of color, people with low incomes, immigrants, and young people;

WHEREAS, the state of California has worked to make reproductive freedom a fundamental right for all Californians, protecting a person's rights to reproductive health and bodily autonomy, their privacy regarding reproductive decisions, their access to safe and legal abortion, and fundamentally, the right to choose whether or not to terminate a pregnancy;

WHEREAS, as states around the country enact extreme laws that violate the fundamental right to decide whether or not to terminate a pregnancy, the County of San Diego can serve as a model and commit to defend and fight for reproductive freedom, and welcome all those seeking to fully exercise their reproductive rights and access safe legal abortion;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the County of San Diego is declared a champion and defender of health equity and reproductive freedom for all.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY COUNTY COUNSEL

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