DESOLUTION

Whereas, the League of Women Voters of the United States believes quality health care at an affordable cost should be available to all U.S. residents; and Whereas the current and proposed systems do not achieve the League goals of

affordability and access to everyone; and

Whereas an improved Medicare for all, a publicly funded and privately delivered national health care plan, is consistent with this goal;

Therefore, be it resolved we, the representatives of local and state Leagues assembled at the 2010 LWVUS Convention, call upon the LWVUS Board to advocate strongly for bills that legislate for improved Medicare for all.

Why We Support the Resolution

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Many of our members responded to the LWVUS call for strong health care legislation and worked tirelessly during the past year to shape bills in Congress. More work needs to be done. We are not there yet.

Our LWVUS health care position states, "The LWVUS believes that a basic level of quality health care at an affordable cost should be available to all U.S. residents...the League favors a national insurance health plan financed through general taxes in place of individual insurance premiums." Such a plan is known as single-payer or Improved Medicare for All.

With 20 million people left uninsured, more underinsured, and the issue of affordability not resolved, we believe LWVUS should advocate for further reform and support Improved Medicare for All.

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