2011 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45


Relating to: recognizing October 2011 as Comprehensive Women’s Health Month.

Whereas, more than 2.8 million women and girls live in the state of Wisconsin; and

Whereas, Wisconsin recognizes the unique health needs of women in all phases of their lives; and

Whereas, access to comprehensive reproductive health care — including colposcopies, Pap smears, mammograms, treatment for sexually transmitted infections, and birth control — is critical to the overall well-being of women and their families; and

Whereas, women’s health care providers have saved countless lives by preventing and treating life-threatening diseases including breast, cervical, and ovarian cancers, and HIV-AIDS; and

Whereas, family planning is recognized by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as one of the top ten public health achievements of the 20th century; and
Whereas, the state of Wisconsin values the many licensed health care professionals who provide this basic care in a compassionate setting, at times under threat of violence; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature strongly support comprehensive women's health care providers in their unique, positive contributions to the individual lives of women, men, and children, both before and after birth; and, be it further

Resolved, That the Wisconsin legislature recognizes, commends, and is grateful for the arduous, compassionate, and sometimes dangerous work of thousands of staff and volunteers in comprehensive women’s health centers across Wisconsin and the United States; and, be it further

Resolved, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature proclaim October 2011 as Comprehensive Women’s Health Month across the state of Wisconsin, and commend this observance to all of its citizens, recognizing that women in our state deserve the best health care available especially in dire economic times such as these.

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