

**RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE SUPPORT OF THE  
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY  
FOR A WOMAN’S RIGHT TO CHOOSE**

---

- *Passed unanimously by the Healthcare working group on August 24, 2017*
  - *Passed by by the Issues Committee on August 24, 2017*
- 

**WHEREAS**, the Democratic Party has a proud history of protecting and advancing reproductive health, rights, and justice, as stated in the party’s 2016 platform; AND

**WHEREAS**, the Democratic Party believes unequivocally, like the majority of Americans, that every woman should have access to quality reproductive healthcare services, including safe and legal abortion – regardless of where she lives, how much money she makes, or how she is insured; AND

**WHEREAS**, the Democratic Party recognizes that reproductive decisions are intensely personal decisions, opposes any and all efforts to weaken and undermine a woman’s right to make these decisions, in consultation, if she chooses, with her family, her doctor, and her clergy, and without interference from politicians or governments; AND

**WHEREAS**, the Democratic Party believes that reproductive health is central to the health and wellbeing of women, and also of men; AND

**WHEREAS**, the Democratic Party will continue to stand up to Republican efforts to defund Planned Parenthood health centers, which provide critical health services to millions of people; AND

**WHEREAS** affordable healthcare, education, and programs that help women during pregnancy and after the birth of a child reduce the number of unintended pregnancies and thus the need for abortions, and the Democratic Party continues to support the rights of all women to access to such assistance, safely and affordably; AND

**WHEREAS**, the Democratic Party will continue to oppose – and seek to overturn – federal and state laws and policies that impede a woman’s access to abortion, including by repealing the Hyde Amendment; AND

**WHEREAS**, the Democratic Party condemns and will combat any acts of violence, harassment, and intimidation of reproductive health providers, patients, and staff; AND

**WHEREAS**, the Democratic Party is committed to addressing the discrimination and barriers that inhibit meaningful access to reproductive health care services, including those based on gender, sexuality, race, income, disability, and other factors; AND

**WHEREAS**, the Democratic Party recognizes that quality, affordable, comprehensive health care, evidence-based sex education, and a full range of family planning services help reduce the number of unintended pregnancies and thereby also reduce the need for abortions; AND

**WHEREAS**, the Miami-Dade Democratic Executive Committee stands strongly in support of these principles and fundamental rights;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

**THAT** the Miami-Dade Democratic Executive Committee asks all Miami-Dade Members of Congress, other elected officials, and candidates seeking office, to stand in support of these principles and fundamental rights; AND

**THAT** the Miami-Dade Democratic Executive Committee will not support, and will oppose, candidates for elected office who do not stand in support of these principles and fundamental rights; AND

**THAT** the Miami-Dade Democratic Executive Committee asks all Miami-Dade members of the Florida Democratic State Party Executive Committee and State Central Committee to bring forth a similar resolution at the next Florida Democratic Party meeting; AND

**THAT** the Miami-Dade Democratic Executive Committee asks all Miami-Dade members of the Democratic National Committee to bring forth a similar resolution at the next Democratic National Committee meeting.