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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING  
EQUITY IN PRESCRIPTION INSURANCE AND  
CONTRACEPTIVE COVERAGE

- 40      WHEREAS:      Contraception is essential to a woman's health needs; and,
- 50      WHEREAS:      Congress reports that \$14 is saved on pregnancy and childbearing costs  
60                      for every \$1 spent on family planning; and,
- 70      WHEREAS:      Nearly half of all insurance companies provide no coverage for  
80                      contraception; and,
- 90      WHEREAS:      Only fifteen percent of all insurance companies cover the five most  
100                     commonly used forms of contraception: oral contraceptives, IUDs, the  
110                     diaphragm, Norplant, and Depo Provera; and,
- 120     WHEREAS:      Women of childbearing age spend 68% more on out-of-pocket healthcare  
130                     costs than men.
- 140     THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Maryland Student Legislature calls upon the 107<sup>th</sup>  
150                     Congress to pass the Equity in Prescription Insurance and Contraceptive  
160                     Coverage Act.
- 170     MANDATES:      President William Jefferson Clinton  
180                     U.S. Senator Olympia Snowe  
190                     U.S. Senator Barbara Mikulski  
200                     U.S. Senator Paul Sarbanes  
210                     U.S. Representative. James Greenwood  
220                     U.S. Representative. Roscoe Bartlett  
230                     U.S. Representative Albert Wynn  
240                     U.S. Representative Elijah Cummings  
250                     U.S. Representative Constance Morella

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