

# Travis County Commissioners Court



# Resolution

## A Resolution to Support Women's Healthcare

WHEREAS, the American People believe that women should be able to consult with their doctor, family and faith about personal, private medical decisions, and

WHEREAS, poor and working poor women often go without healthcare in favor of their children and other family members' care due to limited funds; and

WHEREAS, the overwhelming majority of services provided by Planned Parenthood health centers are basic health care for women including cancer screenings and breast exams; and

WHEREAS, Texas and other states seek to deny state and local funding for any services provided through Planned Parenthood because 3% of Planned Parenthood services include safe, legal pregnancy termination; and

WHEREAS, for many women with limited incomes Planned Parenthood clinics are their point of entry in the healthcare system and their ongoing source of primary care services; and

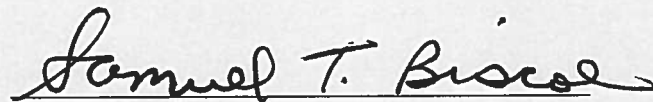
WHEREAS, if these services disappear, more women will overwhelm other existing clinics, or worse, completely neglect their health and contract diseases that will imperil their lives and lead to expensive Medicaid and Medicare bills borne by taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, January 22<sup>nd</sup> 2013 is the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the landmark Supreme Court Decision in the case of Roe v. Wade and is an opportunity to combine pro-choice and pro-life supporters around one common truth and need: superior healthcare for our poor and working poor women.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commissioners Court urges Congress and the State of Texas to pursue a positive agenda that reaffirms the fundamental right of women to make decisions about their health care without worrying about governmental interference, and to have unhindered access to their own doctor in a system that improves women's access to safe and comprehensive health care; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call on Congress and the Texas State Legislature to use creative means to restore funding to Planned Parenthood and other healthcare providers.

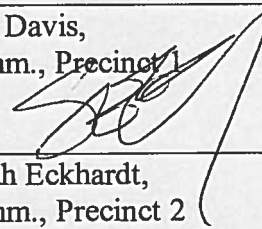
ADOPTED THIS THE 22<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2013



Samuel T. Biscoe,  
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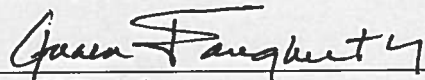
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