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Chair Monnes-Anderson and Members of the Committee:

The City of Eugene respectfully submits the attached Resolution in support of SB 1046 for the April 20th Public Hearing in the Senate Committee on Health Care.

The Resolution states:

“The Eugene City Council urges the Oregon Legislature, in the 2017 session, to create a transparent public process to design a healthcare system that provides timely access to comprehensive health care for all Oregon residents with equitable access, ensures choice of providers, has effective cost controls, and has a focus on preventative care. The process should begin with information and recommendations from the study authorized by HB 2828 from the 2015 legislative session, which investigated the financing system to best meet the criteria Resolution described in chapter 712, Oregon Laws 2013. The proposed system should be affordable for families, businesses, and society, and should be enacted or referred to the voters in a timely manner.

Thank you for your service and please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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A RESOLUTION ADVOCATING FOR THE OREGON LEGISLATURE'S DESIGN BY A HEALTHCARE SYSTEM THAT PROVIDES COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE FOR ALL OREGON RESIDENTS.

The City Council of the City of Eugene finds that:

- 1. That we want Eugene to continue to grow and to provide the ability to support a robust, diverse and healthy economy.
- 2. Maintaining the goal of living a healthy life is impossible without the ability to access health care.
- 3. The cost of health care is a growing challenge for government, business, and individuals.
- 4. A publicly funded universal health care system would help businesses and government employers to attract and retain employees that currently provide essential services and help workers by reducing health care costs.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 5189

A RESOLUTION ADVOCATING FOR THE OREGON LEGISLATURE'S DESIGN OF A HEALTHCARE SYSTEM THAT PROVIDES COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE FOR ALL OREGON RESIDENTS.

PASSED: 6:1

REJECTED:

OPPOSED: Clark

ABSENT: Ward 4 seat vacant

CONSIDERED: April 19, 2017



RESOLUTION NO. 5189

A RESOLUTION ADVOCATING FOR THE OREGON LEGISLATURE'S DESIGN OF A HEALTHCARE SYSTEM THAT PROVIDES COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE FOR ALL OREGON RESIDENTS.

The City Council of the City of Eugene finds that:

A. There are many components that contribute to good health, including the ability to respond to sickness, disease and injury.

B. Maintaining the goal of living a healthy life is impossible without the ability to access health care.

C. The cost of health care is creating difficulties for government, businesses, and individuals.

D. A publicly funded universal health care system could help businesses and government employers by reducing overall costs for employers that currently provide employee health insurance, and help individuals by disconnecting health care from employment.

E. The access to healthcare by all members of a community greatly reduces the risk of contagious diseases, significantly reduces absenteeism for businesses, while simultaneously increasing the quality of life for the whole community.

F. Oregon Revised Statute 414.018(1) states *"It is the intention of the Legislative Assembly to achieve the goals of universal access to an adequate level of high quality health care at an affordable cost."*

G. HB 2828, signed into Oregon law in 2015, provided funds for a comparative study of health care financing systems, the results of which will be reported to the 2017 Legislative Assembly, and the first criteria to determine the best system is one that *"Provides universal access to comprehensive care at the appropriate time."*

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EUGENE, a Municipal Corporation of the State of Oregon, as follows:

Section 1. The Eugene City Council urges the Oregon Legislature, in the 2017 session, to create a transparent public process to design a healthcare system that provides timely access to comprehensive health care for all Oregon residents with equitable access, ensures choice of providers, has effective cost controls, and has a focus on preventative care. The process should begin with information and recommendations from the study authorized by HB 2828 from the 2015 legislative session, which investigated the financing system to best meet the criteria

described in chapter 712, Oregon Laws 2013. The proposed system should be affordable for families, businesses, and society, and should be enacted or referred to the voters in a timely manner.

Section 2. The City Manager is directed to send a copy of this resolution as soon as possible to the local state legislative delegation and appropriate legislative committees.

Section 3. This Resolution is effective immediately upon its passage by the City Council.

The foregoing Resolution adopted the 19th day of April, 2017.

Beth Louest

City Recorder