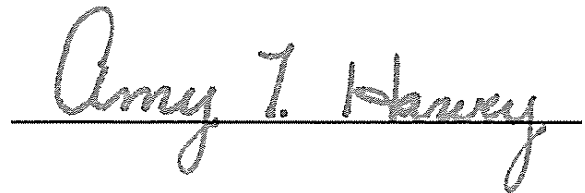


I, Amy T. Harvey, Deputy Town Clerk of the Town of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of (2023-05-10/R-0.01) adopted by the Chapel Hill Town Council on May 10, 2023.

This the 11th day of May, 2023.



**Amy T. Harvey
Deputy Town Clerk**



**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SAFE AND LEGAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTHCARE
(2023-05-10/R-0.01)**

WHEREAS, access to a full range of reproductive care options, including safe and legal abortion, is a fundamental human right, and

WHEREAS, following the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to overturn *Roe v. Wade* in the *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* case, both houses of the North Carolina General Assembly passed SB20 on a party line vote to severely limit the rights of women, specifically their bodily autonomy, by reducing legally allowed abortions from twenty (20) weeks to twelve (12) weeks and reducing access to medication abortion to ten (10) weeks; and

WHEREAS, SB20 also imposes new barriers to the provision of care that are not medically necessary, such as additional in-person appointments and new clinic requirements, and

WHEREAS, creating barriers to reproductive healthcare, including abortions, will make it harder for the most vulnerable to access healthcare, which medical professionals say will lead to preventable deaths; and

WHEREAS, despite the fact that the majority of North Carolinians support access to safe, legal abortion and despite the legislature's own bill filing rules, SB20 was released with little notice and no transparency, as GOP legislative leadership crafted this harmful bill behind closed doors with no opportunity for public comment, and

WHEREAS, Chapel Hill has a history of supporting full access to safe and legal reproductive health care, including abortion, for our residents and town employees and rejects in the strongest of terms SB20 and other laws aimed at limiting or denying access to abortion care.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill that the Council supports the right for all to access the full spectrum of reproductive healthcare, including abortion care.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Council commends Senator Graig Meyer and Representative Allen Buansi for their votes against SB20; supports Governor Roy Cooper's decision to veto SB20; and encourages members of the General Assembly to uphold his veto when a vote to override occurs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Council urges our elected officials at the North Carolina General Assembly to prioritize the healthcare needs of residents, to reject further attempts to limit abortion, and to increase investment in access to health care, affordable birth control including emergency contraception, and comprehensive age-appropriate sex education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Council urges residents to speak out against these egregious attacks on bodily autonomy and make their views known to members of the North Carolina General Assembly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to our North Carolina General Assembly delegation and the Leadership of both Chambers.

This the 10th day of May, 2023.