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Honorable David Cicilline  
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### **RE: H.R.5 (Cicilline) Equality Act - SUPPORT**

Dear Congressman Cicilline,

On behalf of the Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee (SBWPC), I am writing to express support for the Equality Act, HR 5, prohibiting discrimination based on sex, sexual orientation and gender identity. SBWPC's mission is dedicated to furthering gender equality and other feminist values through political and social action and educational activities. Our organization is one of the largest women's political committees in Santa Barbara County with well over 300 members. We advocate for a diverse set of positions which include promoting greater access to education for women and other underrepresented populations and the prohibition/elimination of discrimination based on sex and sexual orientation <https://sbwpc.org/positions/>.

The Equality Act prohibits such discrimination in areas including public accommodations and facilities, education, federal funding, housing, credit and the jury system. The Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee regards HR 5 as an important step forward addressing the elimination of discrimination based on sex or gender.

**Therefore, SBWPC wishes to sign on as a supporter of HR 5.**

Thank you for reviewing our organization's position on this issue. Should you wish to communicate further with us, please email us at [info@sbwpc.org](mailto:info@sbwpc.org) or visit our website: [www.sbwpc.org](http://www.sbwpc.org)

Sincerely,

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