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## 33 Years of Feminism From Marching in the Streets to a Seat at the Table

May 26, 2021

The Honorable Assembly Members Cecilia Aguiar-Curry and Robert Rivas

State Capitol

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Email: Asm. Cecilia Aguiar-Curry Chief of Staff John.Ferrera@asm.ca.gov;

Alice.Montes@asm.ca.gov (per advocates portal)

RE: AB 32 - Telehealth - SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Members Aguiar-Curry and Rivas,

On behalf of the Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee (SBWPC), I am writing to express support for AB 32 addressing healthcare through telehealth. 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 approximately 300 members. We advocate for a diverse set of positions which includes basic human rights for all, locally and globally, including healthcare. <a href="https://sbwpc.org/positions/">https://sbwpc.org/positions/</a>.

We support maintaining and ensuring that telehealth stays flexible, including payment parity for both video and audio services funded by Medi-Cal. The Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee regards AB 32 as an important step forward in ensuring equity, particularly for trans people, rural communities, and immunocompromised people trying to access healthcare. Therefore, SBWPC wishes to sign on as a supporter of AB 32.

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 or visit our website: www.sbwpc.org

Sincerely,

Luz Reyes-Martín President SBWPC

Luz Reyes-Martin

CC: Assemblymember Steve Bennet <u>Alexander.Soto@asm.ca.gov</u>; <u>Hannah.Sullivan@asm.ca.gov</u>

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