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**RE: AB 576 – Medication Abortion Equity Act- SUPPORT**

Dear Assemblymember Weber,

On behalf of the Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee (SBWPC), I am writing to express support for AB 576 addressing the need to support full reimbursement for the provision of medication abortion and ensure that patients that rely on Medi-Cal can access medication abortion. SBWPC's mission is dedicated to furthering gender equality and other feminist values. As one of the largest women's political committees in Santa Barbara County with hundreds of members, we advocate for a diverse set of positions which include Healthcare: <https://sbwpc.org/positions/>.

We support AB 576 and its goal to align medical coverage of medication abortion policies with clinical guidelines and evidence-based research.

The Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee regards AB 576 as an important step forward in ensuring that all people have the right to exercise full choice and control over their bodies in making all health and medical decisions. **Therefore, SBWPC wishes to sign on as a supporter of bill AB 576.**

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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