RESOLUTION NO. 17-4925

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF AB 10 (GARCIA): FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS: ADEQUATE SUPPLY: SCHOOL AND COLLEGE BATHROOMS AND SHELTERS

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, Feminine hygiene products, including tampons and other menstrual pads, can present a significant financial burden, especially for lower income women and girls on a tight budget who may already struggle to pay for basic necessities; and

WHEREAS, this cost can be prohibitive and presents a potential barrier to education and employment opportunities for women and girls; and

WHEREAS, many shelters report chronic shortages of menstrual products, threatening the dignity and health of women already suffering under other disadvantaged circumstances; and

WHEREAS, sanitary pads and tampons advance public health by promoting public sanitation and are a clinical need for women; and

WHEREAS, AB 10 (Garcia) would require schools, universities, and shelters in California to provide a sufficient supply of feminine hygiene products to meet the needs of all female students or occupants; and

WHEREAS, the City of West Hollywood is committed to protecting women's health and wellness and has a long record of advocacy for and protection of women's rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of West Hollywood supports AB 10 (Garcia), which will help to advance the health and equality of women throughout the state of California.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 20th day of March, 2017 by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilmember:

D'Amico, Duran, Horvath, Mayor Pro

Tempore Heilman, and Mayor Meister.

NOES:

Councilmember:

None.

ABSENT: ABSTAIN: Councilmember:

None.

LAUREN MEISTER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

YVONNE QUARKER, CITY CLERK