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April 13, 2017

The Honorable Hannah Beth Jackson  
California State Senate  
State Capitol Building, Room 2032  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Jackson:

**RE: SB 309, Reproductive Freedom License Plate Program – SUPPORT**

The City of West Hollywood supports SB 309 and your continuing efforts to assure everyone's right to reproductive health care. On April 3, 2017, the West Hollywood City Council unanimously adopted Resolution #17-4392 in support of SB 309. The resolution is attached.

Federal efforts to eliminate funding for women's reproductive health care services are jeopardizing access to health care for millions of women in our state. SB 309's plan to continue to fund and maintain services through an independent funding source reaffirms California's commitment to safe, affordable and quality reproductive health care.

Should these federal efforts succeed, California and the millions of women served at reproductive health care clinics would be dealt a devastating blow. That is why SB 309 is so important. The funds generated from purchase of the license plates will keep clinic doors open for millions of low-income Californians every year.

The City of West Hollywood is committed to protecting women's rights and access to reproductive health care. As the first "pro-choice" city in the nation, West Hollywood has continuously endorsed legislation and implemented programs that respect women's rights to bodily autonomy and self-determination. The City also continues to oppose federal efforts to defund women's health care services.

The reproductive freedom license plate program and its "California Trusts Women" license plate is a symbol of California's belief in an equal society and a commitment to support high quality and accessible reproductive health care for all women.

Respectfully,

Lauren Meister  
**MAYOR**

Cc: Hon Benjamin Allen, SD 26  
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