

## **Resolution in Support of the Medicare for All Acts of 2019**

**WHEREAS**, despite important gains made since the implementation of the Affordable Care Act, millions of Americans remain without health insurance while millions more remain underinsured and skip necessary medical care because they are unable to afford the cost; and

**WHEREAS**, the burden of caring for the uninsured and underinsured falls heavily on local governments such as [CITY/TOWN/COUNTY]; and

**WHEREAS**, the rising costs of health care continually outstrip both the aid our local communities receive and our limited budgetary resources, placing reckless demands on our citizens and businesses; and

**WHEREAS** the Medicare for All Acts of 2019 currently before Congress would provide health insurance for every person in the United States for all necessary medical care without copayments, deductibles, coinsurance or unaffordable premiums; and

**WHEREAS** the Medicare for All Acts of 2019 would protect the doctor-patient relationship, assure patients a free choice of doctors and hospitals, reduce bureaucracy for patients and providers, eliminate wasteful spending and reduce health care costs, making it affordable for everyone; and

**WHEREAS**, recent polls show that a majority of Americans support Medicare-for-All; and

**WHEREAS**, the Medicare for All Acts of 2019 will eliminate the burden of caring for uninsured and underinsured individuals in [CITY/TOWN/COUNTY], reduce the cost of health care for our current and retired local government employees and eliminate concerns about rising health care costs, which will no longer be held hostage to market forces out of our control, allowing us to budget appropriately for our community needs;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the [CITY/COUNTY COUNCIL/TOWN BOARD] supports the Medicare for All Acts of 2019 (H.R. 1384 and S. 1129) and calls on our federal legislators to work toward enactment of a well-designed compromise bill, in consultation with local governments to ensure our needs are met, assuring appropriate and efficient health care for all residents of the United States.