

Resolution: Supporting Access to Period Products in Schools

WHEREAS, the National Foundation for Women Legislators (NFWL) establishes that increasing access to period products in schools is a key step to ensuring young women are not disadvantaged and have choice to pursue opportunity in learning, and/or any extracurricular pursuit.

WHEREAS, NFWL recognizes that many women struggle to purchase enough menstrual products, and that this lack of a basic necessity can force women to stay home from work or school.

WHEREAS, menstrual hygiene products should be provided in the same manner as toilet paper and paper towels, which are provided in virtually every public bathrooms, including all public an private educational institution nationwide.

WHEREAS, public policy makers should set parameters for states to procure and distribute to school districts menstrual hygiene products so that all students have equal opportunity in learning and extracurricular pursuits.

WHEREAS, having these essential products available in our public and private educational institutions will ensure that all who need, have access to these products allowing students to better learn, advance and attain success as they so determine. Ultimately, stemming the cyclical nature of need and contributing to ending period poverty in this country.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Foundation for Women Legislators calls on all elected women to advance public policy that promotes learning and advancement of all students by pursuing enactment and support of legislation that requires states to procure and distribute menstrual hygiene products to school districts.