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The Honorable Caroline Menjivar
Chair, Senate Health
1021 O Street, Suite 6630
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The Honorable Angelique Ashby
Chair, Senate Business, Professions, & Economic Development
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Re: Assembly Bill 260 (Aguiar-Curry) Sexual and reproductive health care – CO-SPONSOR

Dear Chair Menjivar and Chair Ashby:

The below listed organizations are proud to co-sponsor Assembly Bill 260, which protects and expands access to medication abortion in California regardless of potential federal actions attempting to roll back evidence-based health care that has been proven to be safe and effective for 25 years. This bill ensures that – in California – the fundamental right to choose to have an abortion, secured by the Constitution, remains protected. Our organizations collectively uphold that all people should have the right to seek and obtain safe, legal abortions under dignified conditions at reasonable costs and without any undue burden, and support policy that maintains California's place as a leader in advancing reproductive rights.

Medication abortion, and broad access to it, allows individuals to receive safe and effective abortion care in a least invasive manner. Any federal threats to restrict medication abortion and the drugs used are not only dangerous and risky, but also a direct attack on the state's constitutional right to reproductive freedom. Mifepristone, a drug used in combination with a second drug – misoprostol – to terminate a pregnancy through medication abortion, was approved by the FDA in 2000. Accordingly, scientists have studied the safety of mifepristone for over 25 years, and these decades of evidence show that medication abortion and the drugs used in the process are safe and effective.

President Trump's appointees to lead the Health and Human Services Agency and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) have both made comments in their confirmation hearings about reevaluating mifepristone policies and its safety. With these vocalized, ongoing threats to eliminate legal protections and reduce access to medication abortion at the federal level, California must continue to lead in defending and safeguarding access to safe and accessible abortion care.

AB 260 protects medication abortion by establishing that the current standard of care for the use of mifepristone will remain legal in this state, protecting providers that legally provide mifepristone, requiring the continuation of existing coverage for medication abortion, and expanding access to reproductive health care through telehealth. Proactively taking steps to protect care will help to ensure that there will not be an interruption of access to medication abortion care in California.

When access to the fundamental right to health care is under attack across the nation, this bill proactively codifies the existing standard of practice for medication abortion so that it remains legal in California, regardless of federal actions. AB 260 reassures Californians that their rights to essential health care and bodily autonomy are – and will remain – protected. It is for these reasons that we are proud to co-sponsor this legislation.

Sincerely,



Rob Bonta
Attorney General of California



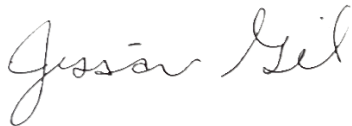
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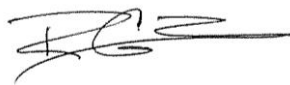
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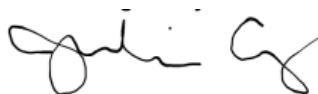
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