



Legislation Text

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Resolution Supporting the Divided We Fail Campaign

Whereas, The opportunity to have access to health care and long-term financial security is a basic need that all Americans share and it is the foundation for future generations;

Whereas, All Americans should have access to affordable health care, including prescription drugs, and these costs should not burden future generations;

Whereas, Wellness and prevention efforts, including changes in personal behavior such as diet and exercise, should be top national priorities;

Whereas, Americans should have choices when it comes to long-term care - allowing them to maintain their independence at home or in their communities with expanded and affordable financing options;

Whereas, The Ann Arbor City Council believes that all Americans should have peace of mind about their future long-term financial security;

Whereas, Our children and grandchildren should have an adequate quality of life when they retire with a solvent Social Security system;

Whereas, Workers should be provided with financial incentives to save, should have access to effective retirement plans, and should be able to keep working and contributing to society regardless of age;

Whereas, Americans of all ages should have access to tools to help manage their finances and save for the future, and access to better and easy to understand information to help them increase their financial literacy and manage their money wisely;

Whereas, Individuals, businesses, health care providers, non-profit organizations, and government must work together to find solutions to these challenges; and

Whereas, The AARP, the Business Roundtable, the Service Employees International Union, and the National Federation of Independent Business have committed to be champions for this new American Dream by launching Divided We Fail, an effort that engages millions of Americans to call their elected leaders to work together across party lines to provide answers, action, and accountability on these issues;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of Ann Arbor, Michigan, supports this Divided We Fail effort and urges our state and federal elected officials and candidates to do the same.

Submitted by: Councilmembers Leigh Greden and Margie Teall