

LEE COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN OPPOSITION TO AMENDMENT 4, A PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING ABORTION.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida ("Board"), has been made aware of Amendment 4, a proposed amendment to the Florida Constitution that is scheduled to appear on the November 5, 2024, ballot; and,

WHEREAS, Amendment 4, titled as "Amendment to Limit Government Interference with Abortion", would amend the Florida Constitution by adding the following underlined text: Limiting government interference with abortion- Except as provided in Article X. Section 22, no law shall prohibit, penalize, delay, or restrict abortion before viability or when necessary to protect the patient's health. as determined by the patient's healthcare provider.

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment would provide a constitutional right to abortion before fetal viability (estimated to be around 24 weeks gestational age) or when necessary to protect the patient's health, as determined by the patient's healthcare provider; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that the language of the proposed amendment is vague, deceptive, and overbroad and would strike already enacted protections instituted by the State of Florida by broadening the definition of healthcare providers to those not medically licensed, and allowing the life of the unborn to be taken right up to the moment of birth; and,

WHEREAS, the Board believes that the passage of Amendment 4 would be detrimental to the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Lee County and the State of Florida.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, expresses its strong opposition to Amendment 4.

Commissioner _____ made a motion to adopt the foregoing resolution, seconded by Commissioner _____. The vote was as follows:

Kevin Ruane _____
Cecil L Pendergrass _____
Raymond Sandelli _____
Brian Hamman _____
Mike Greenwell _____

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____ 20__.

ATTEST:
KEVIN C. KARNES
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

BY: _____
Mike Greenwell, Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM FOR THE
RELIANCE OF LEE COUNTY ONLY

County Attorney's Office