

A resolution against the legalization of assisted suicide in Minnesota and renewing Minnesota's commitment to improving care.

WHEREAS, Minnesota has long prided itself on offering the highest level of healthcare; and

WHEREAS, public policy should seek to improve healthcare, not hasten death; and

WHEREAS, every person has the right to receive health care, as well as manage their illnesses and refuse life-prolonging treatment; and

WHEREAS, allowing medical professionals to prescribe lethal drugs harms the patient-provider relationship; and

WHEREAS, assisted suicide targets people who are vulnerable especially those with disabilities, the elderly, veterans and low-income individuals; and

WHEREAS, in practice legalized assisted suicide has been risky, lacks safeguards, and promotes suicide and undermines support for those suffering from mental illness; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the _____ Party of Minnesota should oppose legalization of physician assisted suicide and should instead support healthcare solutions that prioritize real care rather than hasten death.