

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-_____
RESOLUTION OF THE MARIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OPPOSING
ON THE NOVEMBER 7, 2006 BALLOT:

PROPOSITION NO. 85
"THE PARENTS' RIGHT TO KNOW AND CHILD PROTECTION INITIATIVE"

WE, the Marin County Board of Supervisors, hereby proclaim our opposition to Proposition 85, otherwise known as the "Parent's Right to Know and Child Protection Initiative," certified for the November 7, 2006 statewide ballot; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 85 would amend the State Constitution to require, with certain exceptions, a physician (or his or her representative) to notify the parent or legal guardian of a pregnant minor at least 48 hours before performing an abortion involving that minor; and

WHEREAS, this measure applies to cases involving an "unemancipated" minor, defined as 'a female under the age of 18 who has not entered into a valid marriage, is not on active duty in the armed services of the United States, and has not been declared free from her parents' or guardians' custody and control under state law;' and

WHEREAS, Proposition 85 would restrict a woman's right to make important personal decisions about her body and health, and would jeopardize a woman's access to timely and confidential medical care and counseling; and

WHEREAS, the Marin County Board of Supervisors opposes any restriction of a woman's constitutional right to choose with regard to decisions about her body and health; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 85 is strongly opposed by a broad coalition including doctors, nurses, medical associations, counselors, judges, elected representatives, lawyers and parents, including the California Medical Association, California Nurses Association, Planned Parenthood Affiliates of California, California Academy of Family Physicians, NARAL Pro-Choice California, ACLU, Northern California and Southern California, and many others.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marin County Board of Supervisors urges the people of the County of Marin to oppose Proposition 85, the "Parent's Right to Know and Child Protection Initiative," on the November 7, 2006 statewide ballot.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin held on this ____th day of _____, 2006, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS

NOES:

ABSENT:

PRESIDENT, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

CLERK