

**A RESOLUTION OF THE UNION COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF OREGON IN SUPPORT OF FULL AND FAIR CONSIDERATION OF SINGLE PAYER AND PUBLIC OPTIONS IN CONGRESSIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE DELIBERATIONS**

**WHEREAS, there is a crisis in health insurance in the United States in which more than 47 million Americans are uninsured and countless others are underinsured and adversely affected by escalating costs of insurance premiums, deductibles and co-pays, and**

**WHEREAS, The Democratic Party of Oregon Legislative Agenda 2008 calls for adoption of a comprehensive Oregon health care system that provides universal coverage accessible to all Oregonians which includes a publicly owned, publicly administered, not-for-profit health care plan as one of the options available to Oregonians, and**

**WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States is considering how best to reform the health insurance system of our nation, and**

**WHEREAS, the corporate insurance and pharmaceutical lobby is taking every possible step to ensure that a single payer system and a public option such as Medicare for All (HR 676/S 703) are not given full and fair consideration in the discussions of national health insurance reform**

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE UNION COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF OREGON RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. A single-payer system and a public option shall be given full and fair consideration in congressional discussions of health insurance reform, and**

**Section 2. Members of the House of Representatives and the Senate elected from the State of Oregon shall be encouraged to support a full and fair hearing for a single-payer system and a public option in congressional discussions of health insurance reform, and**

**Section 3. President Barack Obama and the State of Oregon congressional delegation shall be encouraged to provide leadership in support of a full and fair hearing for a single-payer system and a public option in congressional discussions of health insurance reform, and**

**Section 4. The Democratic Party of Oregon is urged to adopt a resolution consisting of the whereases and sections 1, 2, and 3 of this resolution.**

Resolution submitted by William Whitaker, Union County.

**ADOPTED** with one dissenting vote at the meeting of the Union County Central Committee of the Democratic Party of Oregon on the 11th day of June, 2009.