

### **Proposed Resolution Regarding Branch Public Policy Advocacy**

WHEREAS the Public Policy Committee surveyed members on their interest in the Branch publicly advocating on specific public policy issues and based on the survey developed the following resolution for the branch to advocate for the next two calendar years, and

WHEREAS the Board approved referring the resolution to the membership for approval:

Be it resolved that The AAUW St. Paul Branch, in accordance with its bylaws, supports all three of the public policy priorities adopted by the National AAUW and by AAUWMN for 2022-2024, and within each of those policy goals, the Branch will prioritize advocating for the next two years on the following specific issues:

- Within the area of **Social and Racial Justice** the branch will advocate for the passage of the national and state Equal Rights Amendments (ERA)
- Within the area of **Social and Racial Justice** the branch may also secondarily advocate on opposing restrictions on reproductive health,
- Within the area of **Equal access to Quality Education for All** the branch will advocate for adequate funding for all levels of public education, and
- Within the area of **Economic Security for All Women** the branch will advocate for laws promoting equal pay.

The Public Policy Committee has permission to advocate on the specific issues listed above without any additional approval through May 1, 2025.