

American Model United Nations General Assembly Plenary (Concurrent)

GA Plen/II/6

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Outcome document of the Special Event to follow-up efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Plenary (Concurrent)

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Noting with appreciation the work of the United Nations to make protection of women's rights an aspect of
the Millennium Development Goals,

3 *Recognizing* the efforts of the United Nations' Commission on the Status of Women in education and female 4 empowerment,

5 *Observing* the deepening inequality, particularly in impoverished nations,

6 *Recognizing* that many of the Millennium Development Goals can be further achieved by empowering women 7 because there are issues that are directly affected by gender inequality,

8 Understanding that women in developing countries can provide a substantial source of income for their 9 families if they have access to the educational tools and capital to begin small businesses,

10 *Recognizing* that women do not have equal access to educational tools and capital as men do due to the lack 11 of support for women in the workforce,

12 Affirming the need for gender equality, which is an international issue impacting all nations to varying 13 degrees,

14 *Recognizes* that reproductive health is not a part of current primary school curriculum in many developing 15 nations,

16 1. *Emphasizing* that many women in developing countries are prohibited from attending school for various 17 reasons such as:

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(a) Having started puberty or becoming young mothers;

(b) Lacking of social support due to the lack of understanding of the possibilities and options womenhave in the workforce;

21 2. *Encourages* the education of reproductive health to young women within the rhetoric of public primary 22 schools in member states;

3. *Emphasizes* that this is not standardized; the nations have sovereignty in deciding the depths into which they would explain the female reproductive system to its female citizens attending their public school, however we highly encourage that young women at least understand their own physiology and the affects of puberty on their bodies;

4. *Emphasizes* the cultural and religious sensitivities of this resolution do not in any way condone the misrepresentation, discrimination and the abuse of women in all nations and under all authorities;

5. Suggests Global Pulse hold a convention with the diplomatic audience of nations that would futher discuss the socio-economic implications of gender equality and the benefits of female empowerment;

6. *Encourages* the World Bank to offer financial aid to developing countries offering micro-loans at low interest rates to female entrepreneurs who have demonstrated initiative and have defined business plans:

(a) Understands that there is a direct correlation between a person's access to primary/secondary
education and the amount of income that they generate;

7. *Implores* Member States to offer female students scholarships, specifically those who demonstrate financial
need so that they may complete primary and secondary education.

Passed, Yes: 65 / No: 4 / Abstain: 9