

**National Federation of Democratic Women
Resolution Supporting a Carbon Fee and Dividend**

WHEREAS, climate change caused by the increasing atmospheric concentration of greenhouse gases is considered one of the major causes of sea level rise, with the State of Florida and other coastal states being particularly vulnerable; and

WHEREAS, the energy market fails to price in costs other than the costs of production and transportation, and the external costs of energy use are not borne by the producers but by society at large in the form of the pollution they emit; and

WHEREAS, Citizens' Climate Lobby, a nonprofit, nonpartisan, grassroots advocacy organization focused on national policies to address climate change, has proposed a steadily increasing revenue-neutral carbon fee to be levied at the point of production as the best first step in reducing carbon emissions; and

WHEREAS, a carbon fee and dividend would be a fair, efficient, and effective market-based incentive in motivating energy consumers to conserve and adopt renewable energy practices without the need for extensive government regulatory controls or subsidies;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the National Federation of Democratic Women requests the United States Congress to act with urgency to pass legislation that levies an annually increasing revenue neutral fee and dividend on fossil fuels.

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