

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HIV/AIDS VACCINE FEDERAL FUNDING

Resolution 2025-04

Whereas, the Trump Administration has terminated a \$258 million program critical to the development of an HIV/AIDS vaccine;

Whereas, the consortia for HIV/AIDS lead research partners, Duke University and Scripps Research Institute, indicate the work was broadly applicable to a wide range of treatments including COVID interventions and medications; snake antivenom; and therapies for autoimmune diseases;

Whereas, The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has also paused funding for a clinical trial of an HIV vaccine made by Moderna;

Whereas, the Trump administration also shut down the HIV prevention division of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which provided funds to states and territories for HIV prevention:

Whereas, in January the Trump administration halted disbursement of funds from the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief, PEPFAR, a \$7.5 billion program that supplied most of the treatment for HIV in Africa;

THEREFORE, THE WASHINGTON COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. We call upon our Congressional delegation to take whatever measures are necessary to reinstitute this vital funding for AIDS vaccine research.
2. We call upon each member of our Congressional delegation to publicly state their support for AIDS vaccine research.
3. We call upon the Democratic Party of Oregon to pass a similar resolution.

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