

Proposal from the LWV-California of a resolution to be presented at the LWVUS Convention 2018

Whereas the League of Women Voters has a clear position supporting action to curb climate change, and

Whereas the League of Women Voters believes that putting a price on carbon is the most effective way to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and

Whereas League members have consistently voted to support carbon pricing at previous conventions, and

Whereas, adoption of carbon pricing mechanisms is being actively debated and promoted in many states and regions, and

Whereas local, state, and regional Leagues need a clear, concise statement to help them evaluate and take action on carbon pricing proposals, and

Whereas, the LWVUS Convention is the largest gathering of LWV members and thus is a powerful venue to, as a body, pass this resolution to strongly and clearly express to our members and the world our commitment to address climate change through a price on carbon,

Therefore be it resolved that the

League of Women Voters stands united with and in support of efforts to price carbon emissions, whether cap and trade, carbon tax/fee, or another viable pricing mechanism. The LWV does not have a position on how the revenue generated is to be used.

We do not espouse any single method of pricing carbon over another. We will evaluate all proposed methods based on their effectiveness to abate emissions and whether the method can be successfully implemented.