

The following Resolution was adopted by the Democratic National Committee at its meeting on March 10, 2018, in Washington, DC.

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Resolution in Support of Greatly Expanding the Head Start Program in order to Save Working Families Approximately \$130 Billion per Year

WHEREAS, according to a 2015 Forbes study titled “Does Child Care Cost More Than College Where You Live,” in the U.S., 11 million children under the age of five are in some form of daycare. For those families, the average cost of daycare is \$9,589 per year. This amount varies wildly depending on location, with working families in Washington, D.C. paying an average of \$1,829 per month; and

WHEREAS, Forbes found that child care is one of the most significant family costs and often exceeds housing and transportation. In 30 states, child care is more expensive than the average cost of a public university; and

WHEREAS, empowering families and expanding access to education are true Democratic values and proven to be economically beneficial; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Democratic National Committee strongly supports expanding Head Start Programs, which would save American families nearly \$130 billion per year.