

Georgetown University Law Center
Student Bar Association
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Resolution 2019-2020-18: Declaration of Understanding About Reproductive Justice and Support for Recognition of If/When/How

WHEREAS, Georgetown University was “founded on the principle that serious and sustained discourse among people of different faiths, cultures, and beliefs promotes intellectual, ethical and spiritual understanding”; and

WHEREAS, Georgetown University’s mission is to “embody this principle in the diversity of our students, faculty and staff, our commitment to justice and the common good, our intellectual openness and our international character”; and

WHEREAS, reproductive justice is rooted in a human rights framework and is integrally related to social justice issues such as economic justice, racial justice, environmental justice, immigrants’ rights, disability rights, and LGBTQ rights; and

WHEREAS, reproductive justice addresses intersecting oppressions while centering the most marginalized; and

WHEREAS over the past year, reproductive justice has risen to the top of legal discourse and will be discussed by the Supreme Court this term; and

WHEREAS If/When/How is a nationally recognized organization that raises awareness, broadens the discourse, builds bridges, and effects change in this critical area of law and social justice; and

WHEREAS If/When/How chapters enrich student life by coordinating pro bono opportunities for legal research, hosting campus events on intersectional issues, and encouraging students to publish new scholarship on cutting-edge issues; and

WHEREAS the If/When/How Georgetown chapter has hundreds of members, regularly co-hosts events with other recognized student groups, keeps students informed about pressing social justice and policy issues, and facilitates networking events with a range of professionals; and

WHEREAS students who come to Georgetown University Law Center to learn about and pursue careers in reproductive justice deserve recognition for their

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participation in a student organization focused on the topic of their future work; and



WHEREAS lack of recognition harms Georgetown students by minimizing the importance of reproductive justice and its ties to other social justice issues, especially in comparison other top law schools which have active and recognized reproductive justice student organizations.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Student Bar Association declares its understanding that reproductive justice is a broad social justice issue and supports If/When/How recognition by Georgetown University.

Respectfully submitted,

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