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2 **Resolution on the Transferability of Health Insurance Deductibles**
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6 To Mike Kreidler, Insurance Commissioner for the State of Washington:
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8 WHEREAS, the Affordable Care Act requires the majority of Americans to purchase health
9 insurance;

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11 WHEREAS, the platform of the Jefferson County Democrats states a belief that “high quality
12 health care is an essential human right”;

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14 WHEREAS, an employment change within a calendar year may require a change in insurance
15 provider/plan;

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17 WHEREAS, the current law permits the new insurance company/plan to impose a new Health
18 Insurance Deductible;

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20 WHEREAS, the insured person may have already made sizeable payments towards the Health
21 Insurance Deductible on the original plan; and

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23 WHEREAS, a change in insurance plan or provider may cause a substantial fiscal hardship
24 should a new deductible be instituted;

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26 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Jefferson County Democrats call on Mike Kreidler,
27 Insurance Commissioner for the State of Washington, to establish regulations to make payments
28 defined as meeting a Health Insurance Deductible transferable to the new insurance plan within
29 the same calendar year should a change employment require a change in insurance plan; and
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31 THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Jefferson County Democrats call on Mike
32 Kreidler, Insurance Commissioner for the State of Washington, to propose legislation to the
33 Washington State Legislature to make payments defined as meeting a Health Insurance
34 Deductible transferable to the new insurance plan within the same calendar year should a change
35 employment require a change in insurance plan;
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