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## Memorandum

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND **FROM:** Councilmember Raul Peralez

CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW DATE: March 23, 2021

Approved by: Date: 3.23.21

**SUBJECT: Spring Intergovernmental Relations Report** 

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Add Assembly Bill 367, the Menstrual Equality Act, under this year's list of legislative priorities.

## **DISCUSSION:**

In 2017, my office successfully led a budgetary effort requiring feminine hygiene products to be free and accessible in all our city employee restrooms. Most recently, there has been similar momentum in our state legislature which would "require 50% of public restrooms that are open to the public or used by employees to be provided free menstrual products at all times." Authored by Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia and co-authored by our local representative Ash Kalra, I ask that we take a position of support and advocate for this to move forward under our legislative priorities.

<sup>1</sup> https://www.sanjoseca.gov/home/showpublisheddocument?id=53315

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill\_id=202120220AB367