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Resolution requesting the federal government to investigate reports that the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency performed hysterectomies on federal immigration detainees without their consent, and to provide information on the findings of this investigation to the American people.
This resolution requests the federal government to investigate reports that the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency performed hysterectomies on federal immigration detainees without their consent, and to provide information on the findings of this investigation to the American people.
Whereas, A nurse who worked at an Immigration and Customs Enforcement immigration detention center in Georgia recently filed a whistleblower complaint alleging that immigrant women held at the detention center received hysterectomies without their consent; and

Whereas, A hysterectomy is the surgical removal of a woman's uterus, and eliminates any possibility of conceiving a child; and

Whereas, The allegations stem from a 27-page complaint compiled by Project South, an Atlanta-based advocacy group, along with Georgia Detention Watch, Georgia Latino Alliance for Human Rights and South Georgia Immigrant Support Network; and

Whereas, More than 170 members of the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate are calling for the Department of Homeland Security's inspector general to investigate these claims; and

Whereas, If true, the performance of mass unwanted hysterectomies on vulnerable immigrant women would represent an abuse of human rights; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the federal government is requested to investigate reports that the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency performed hysterectomies on federal immigration detainees without their consent, and to provide information on the findings of this investigation to the American people; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the City Clerk shall send copies of this resolution to Congresswoman Gwen Moore and Senators Ron Johnson and Tammy Baldwin.

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