

# U.S. Rep. Moore: Introduces resolution to honor the life-changing, supportive work of doulas

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“Doulas are vital maternal health professionals who support the health and wellbeing of pregnant women and improve birth outcomes. I am so pleased to join my sister and colleague, Rep. Ayanna Pressley, in lifting up their important impact and pledge to keep working to ensure more women have access to this care,” said **Rep. Moore**.

“Doulas are holistic healers who provide invaluable support to pregnant and birthing people, and their life-saving work is essential,” **said Rep. Pressley**. “Congressional intent is powerful, and I’m proud to introduce this resolution with my colleague Rep. Moore to honor our doulas and affirm the critical role they play in advancing reproductive and maternal health justice.”

“There is no better investment in our collective future than maternal health – delivering the respectful, responsive, comprehensive continuum of quality care every mom needs to deliver a healthy beginning and a healthy future for herself and the baby she loves. Doulas, as I’ve always said, are the missing link in that essential care – delivering continuous physical and emotional support, information and empowerment through pregnancy, birth and beyond, serving as advocates and navigators for moms who otherwise might go unseen and unheard. Most of all, doulas deliver results. Moms who are supported by doulas are less likely to need a c-section or another intervention, to have serious complications, to suffer from postpartum depression or another perinatal mood disorder. With a doula by her side, no mom stands alone. Which is why every mom – especially Black and Brown moms, who face the greatest risks of all when giving birth – deserves a doula. And which is why the What to Expect Project and I are so grateful to Representatives

Gwen Moore and Ayanna Pressley for their long-standing commitment and leadership on doula legislation that delivers for moms,” said **Heidi Murkoff**, author of What to Expect When You’re Expecting and founder of the What to Expect Project.

Read the full text of the resolution [here](#).