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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on female fertility

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on female fertility

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Article 168 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas, according to a 2014 study by the American Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, women have between 1 and 2 million oocytes at birth, roughly 500 000 during puberty and 25 000 aged 37, and whereas an American study carried out in 2012 shows that IVF has a 41.5% success rate among women younger than 35, compared with a 5% success rate among women older than 43;
- B. whereas the average age at which European women have their first child is 29, and whereas women put off having children for social and economic reasons;
- C. whereas, to encourage informed reproductive decisions, European women should be made aware of the scientific facts on female fertility, and whereas some Member States, such as Italy and the UK, have already launched information campaigns on the subject;
- 1. Urges the Commission and the Member States to launch female fertility information campaigns grounded in objective scientific information.