

The Sanctity of Life

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Dear Mr. President,

Abortion is immoral, unconstitutional, and shows blatant disregard for human life. Life is a precious gift, beautiful and wondrous. It is against everything the U.S. stands for. We stand against murder and for the sanctity of life. Abortion destroys an unborn life but still a life. The U.S. stands for good morals, just and equal rights, and chances. Abortion ends a person's chances and choices before they have ever begun. An abortion gives the child no equality and no choice at all. We are given authority to kill only in war, to be used as punishment, and to save a life. The child hasn't even been born yet, so how can he have already committed a crime or an offense? The child has done no wrong at all in the eyes of the law. Even God's law tells us, "You shall not murder." (Exodus 20:13)

As a Christian, I believe that God has given us life. He, and only He, has the power to decide when a life begins and ends. God wants everyone to live. He does not want any death at all. God also made man in His image, meaning that we are created and formed by Him, and as our Creator, "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them." (Genesis 1:27) He only should have the power to take life from us.

Abortion also has long-standing effects. Women who have an abortion often face moral, emotional, social, mental, physical, and psychological issues. Having an abortion can increase chances of breast cancer, suicide attempts and suicidal thoughts, and depression. Another long-standing effect is the emotional stress that comes with having an abortion. A woman can experience grief, loss, guilt, shock, and horror. These feelings are often repressed or denied by the presence or actions of family, doctors, and the general public. Short-term, these feelings are

numbed and minimized, but if these feelings are not addressed or let go, the results can be serious.

Many women who have abortions experience PAS (Post-Abortion Syndrome). The effects include, but are not limited to: sleep problems, avoidance patterns, pains, cramps, irritation, emotional numbness, and trauma. These can seriously affect a woman's life-socially, publically, mentally, physically, and emotionally. Depression can set in, resulting in drug use and abuse of alcohol. If these symptoms are allowed to grow and survive, it may eventually lead to death. If a woman goes ahead with the birth, she will not experience these problems because of her abortion. It is much better to just put the child up for adoption if the mother doesn't want him or her. She'll experience a sense of happiness and satisfaction knowing that she gave the child a chance at life.

When a woman becomes pregnant, she undergoes changes within her body. When she has an abortion, this goes against her body's instincts. There are effects and results-physical and medical-that can stem from this. Some of the effects are exhaustion, hemorrhaging, womb perforation, shock, pain, headaches, and even death. These effects are things that are certainly not good for the body. Then, when you combine these effects with the moral issues that are as much a part of abortion as the medical, physical, emotional, social, and mental issues, you eventually come to a deep and long-lasting sickness that takes over all of a human being's actions and words.

In conclusion, Mr. President, I believe that you can easily see how abortion is a practice that is not good for the human race. It goes against everything that we as a nation stand for. It can be detrimental to the woman causing countless problems. "But if anyone...sees his brother in

need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?" (1 John 3:17) Please respect life and show the love of God by standing up for all unborn children.

Sincerely yours,

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