

Kansas Heartbeat Bill (House Bill 2324)

To Chairman Arlen Siegfried:

We are writing this letter in support of the Kansas Heartbeat Bill being considered. As people of faith we do believe that life begins at conception, but we support this bill as a first step in recognizing that all children in the womb are to be protected. As of now, the rights of the unborn children have been greatly disregarded and we believe that all persons are entitled to life from the moment of conception to natural death.

As the Directors of a youth ministry, we have counseled young women who have had abortions and inevitably, regret and remorse are an outcome of the procedure. Many are lead to believe that a "fetus" is just a blob of tissue that can be easily gotten rid of through a simple procedure. This bill will help educate young women and their families that there is a baby in the womb, one with a heartbeat, and that child has every right to be born. This is an important aspect of conception and pregnancy that needs to be explained legally. Too many abortions have been done, too many babies "legally" killed.

As a medical provider, I see the emotional and physical aftermath of abortion: depression, anxiety, self-loathing...and many other symptoms including suicidal tendencies. I have also seen instances of women not being able to conceive after an abortion which is devastating in itself.

As the daughter of a Holocaust survivor, my other taught me the value of EVERY human life. She was a witness to the deliberate murder of millions of people, with no regard for human life. There is never an excuse or explanation to end the life of a child.

Please pass this bill for the protection of the unborn children.

Sincerely,
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