

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1725

A RESOLUTION honoring pregnancy maintenance resource centers in Kansas
and across the United States.

WHEREAS, The life-affirming impact of pregnancy maintenance resource centers on the women, men, children and communities they serve is significant and growing; and

WHEREAS, Pregnancy maintenance resource centers serve women in Kansas and across the United States with integrity and compassion; and

WHEREAS, More than 2,500 pregnancy maintenance resource centers across the United States provide men and women facing unplanned pregnancies with comprehensive care that includes resources to meet their physical, psychological, emotional and spiritual needs; and

WHEREAS, Pregnancy maintenance resource centers offer women free, confidential and compassionate services, including pregnancy tests, peer counseling, 24-hour telephone hotlines, childbirth and parenting classes, as well as referrals to community, healthcare and support services; and

WHEREAS, Many pregnancy maintenance resource centers offer ultrasound and other medical services; and

WHEREAS, Many pregnancy maintenance resource centers provide pregnant mothers with information on adoption and adoption referrals; and

WHEREAS, Pregnancy maintenance resource centers encourage women to make positive life choices by equipping them with complete and accurate information regarding their pregnancy options and the development of their unborn child; and

WHEREAS, Pregnancy maintenance resource centers provide women with compassionate and confidential peer counseling in a nonjudgmental manner, regardless of their pregnancy outcomes; and

WHEREAS, Pregnancy maintenance resource centers provide important support and resources to women who choose childbirth over abortion; and

WHEREAS, Pregnancy maintenance resource centers ensure that women receive prenatal information and services that lead to birth of healthy infants; and

WHEREAS, Many pregnancy maintenance resource centers provide grief assistance to men and women who regret the loss of their children due to choices they have made; and

WHEREAS, Federal and state governments are increasingly recognizing the valuable services of pregnancy maintenance resource centers, as demonstrated by the designation of public funds for such organizations, including the Stan Clark Pregnancy Maintenance Initiative in Kansas; and

WHEREAS, The successful operation of pregnancy maintenance centers primarily rely on the voluntary donations and time given by caring individuals who are committed to helping with the needs of women while promoting and protecting life: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we strongly support pregnancy maintenance resource centers for their unique and positive contributions to the individual lives of women, men and babies—both born and unborn; and

Be it further resolved: That we honor pregnancy maintenance resource centers in Kansas and across the United States; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send an enrolled copy of this resolution to Senator Warren.

Senate Resolution No. 1725 was sponsored by Senators Warren, Alley, Baumgardner, Billinger, Bowers, Claeys, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Hilderbrand, Kerschen, Kloos, Longbine, Masterson, McGinn, Olson, O'Shea, Peck, Petersen, Pyle, Ryckman, Steffen, Straub, Suellentrop, Thompson, Tyson and Wilborn.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.