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The Honorable Karen Haas
Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives
U.S. Capitol, Room H154
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Madam Clerk,

Pursuant to section 3(c) of House Resolution 5 (114th Congress), I hereby designate the attached Memorial from the State of Louisiana, received by the House of Representatives in the year 1976, as purporting to be an application of the State legislature calling for a convention for proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States pursuant to Article V, and request that you make it publicly available.

Sincerely,



Bob Goodlatte
Chairman

Regular Session, 1976

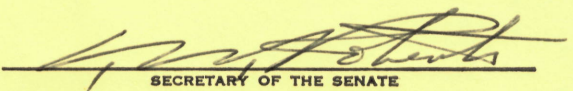
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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To apply to the Congress of the United States to call a convention for the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to human life and to urge and request the legislative bodies of the several states to apply to the Congress to call such a convention.

WHEREAS, all human life is entitled to the protection of laws which may not be abridged by act of any court or legislature or by any judicial interpretation of the Constitution of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the actions of legislative and judicial bodies in this nation have placed human life in jeopardy by reason of age, biologic development, or other reasons; and

WHEREAS, the United States Supreme Court has nullified the laws of various states, including Louisiana, concerning abortion and has interpreted the United States Constitution in a way which permits the destruction of unborn human life; and

WHEREAS, the United States Constitution provides that, on the application of the legislatures of two-thirds of the several states, the Congress shall call a convention for proposing amendments to the United States Constitution, which amendments when so proposed by such a convention must be ratified by the legislatures of, or conventions in, three-fourths of the states to become valid.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana, the House of Representatives thereof concurring herein, that

the Louisiana Legislature does hereby respectfully apply to the Congress of the United States to call a convention for the purpose of proposing the following article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States:

"ARTICLE _____

Section 1. With respect to the right to life, the word person as used in this Article and in the Fifth and Fourteenth Articles of amendment to the Constitution of the United States applies to all human beings irrespective of age, health, function, or condition of dependency, including their unborn offspring at every stage of their biologic development.

Section 2. No unborn person shall be deprived of life by any person; provided, however, that nothing in this Article shall prohibit a law permitting only those medical procedures required to prevent the death of the mother.

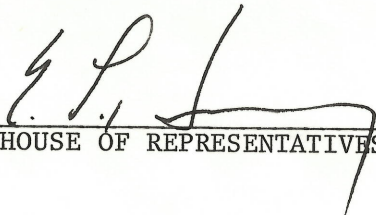
Section 3. The Congress and the several states shall have power to enforce this Article by appropriate legislation."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the legislative bodies of the several states to apply to the Congress of the United States to call a convention for the purpose of proposing this amendment to the United States Constitution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate and to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States Congress; to each member of the delegation of the state of Louisiana in the Congress of the United States; and to the presiding officers of each house of the legislative bodies of the several states of the union.



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