



A Resolution Against Legislation that Encourages Abortion in Virginia

WHEREAS, the Citizens of Carroll County, Virginia (and all Americans) are faced with difficult decisions about abortion; and

WHEREAS, some advocate that there be no abortion legislation, thus making the decision a purely private matter between a woman and her doctor; and

WHEREAS, others advocate no legal abortion whatsoever, or would permit abortion only if the life of the mother is threatened;

Therefore, be it RESOLVED, that the Carroll County Board of Supervisors express the belief that society has a responsibility to affirm through the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia a high view of the sanctity of human life, including fetal life, in order to protect those who cannot protect themselves; and

Be it further RESOLVED, that we call upon the Virginia General Assembly to acknowledge existing legislation that includes the possibility of abortion under such conditions as rape, incest, clear evidence of severe fetal deformity, and carefully ascertained evidence of the likelihood of damage to the emotional, mental, and physical health of the mother, but to actively discourage expansion of the conditions under which abortions are available in Virginia, such as the recently-defeated HB 2491, which would have removed the requirement for early term procedures to be performed at a hospital, eliminated the consent procedures and processes, such as ultrasounds, and reduced the requirement for physician certification for a third trimester procedure is necessary to prevent the mother's death or physical or mental impairment from three doctors to one.

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