

Introduce 1313            Jeff Hoverson

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We should not, normally, challenge the Supreme Court

    Except when?

    Well, states began a movement, against actual Federal law, for marijuana

    There needs to be a movement among the states before the Supreme court will act

    9 judges have held the states hostage to a lie and millions of children murdered for 45 years. Judges are human, too. They have already proven that.

    This bill is about babies. Innocent, Human, Life!

    ND can and should be first; after us other states will follow

    This is really the only way legal abortion can end

I am happy to introduce to you, via virtual testimony online, Melissa Ohden.

Melissa is the survivor of a failed saline infusion abortion. Despite the initial concerns regarding Melissa's future after surviving the attempt to end her life at approximately seven months gestation, she has not only survived but thrived.

Melissa is a Master's level prepared Social Worker and the author of *You Carried Me: A Daughter's Memoir*. Her second book, which will focus on other abortion survivors breaking their silence, will be published in 2021. She is the Founder and Director of *The Abortion Survivors Network*, the only healing and advocacy organization for abortion survivors. Melissa and her team have connected with 356 survivors as of 2020.