## The Perpetual Toleration of the Unthinkable

"You shall not murder" (Exo. 20:13)

## Greetings Honorable Representatives,

My name is Jasahd Stewart. As a member of Trinity Church in Minot, and a partner with Apologia Church and many Saints involved with EndAbortionNow, I am honored to stand here today and to speak on behalf of the preborn regarding the issue of abortion. The act of abortion is in direct opposition to the commandment mentioned under the title of this paper. For a nation that proclaims to seek "liberty and justice for all", it saddens me to see abortion facilities/ murder mills erected on American soil. Thankfully, North Dakota only has one death camp in comparison to the hundreds that are peppered across our nation (Red River Women's Clinic; a fitting name for a facility which flows with the innocent blood of children for profit), however one death camp is far too many. Such evil beckons the wrath of God, and it is your duty as legislators to codify just laws into the land that will serve to curb the shedding of innocent blood.

**Proverbs 24:10-12** says, "If you faint in the day of adversity, your strength is small. Rescue those who are being taken away to death; hold back those who are stumbling to the slaughter. If you say, 'Behold, we did not know this,' does not he who weighs the heart perceive it? Does not he who keeps watch over your soul know it, and will he not repay man according to his work?" We are all in this together and have no excuse for ignoring the cries of the preborn. I admit, even I have not done enough to rescue the preborn from the slaughter, to educate those in our congregation, or to offer help and support to Magistrates who also desire to see abortion abolished or need correction and admonition. We can repent through ending abortion now in our state with this bill (HB 1313; if possible, include the mother as a person as well). Use your delegated powers, granted to you by the Constitution and of God (**John 19:11, Rom 13:1-6**), by ignoring the fallacious court opinion with Roe vs Wade. The 1<sup>st</sup> Article in the Constitution declares "All legislative Powers herein granted shall be invested in a Congress of the United States..." (not the Judicial branch, but the Legislative branch as stated in Article 1, Sec. 2).

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Precious baby boys and girls continue to have their skulls crushed, limbs torn into pieces, and their bowls ripped apart like spaghetti in the name of "women's rights". Where are the rights for the little women in the womb? Do the black lives matter that are continually murdered via abortion? Should the crimes of father or career pursuits of a mother lead to capital punishment of their child? I know this may be hard to hear, but we have turned fathers and mothers from protectors and nurturers into selfish accomplices of murder. Without justice, there truly will be no peace; not until we repent and establish righteous laws in the land (hence our divided nation).

In the Bible we are taught a doctrine called "Blood Guilt", how the shedding of innocent blood stacks curses upon a people and the land (See **Deu. 21**). Slavery was a wicked sin in our nation, and the judgment for such sin cost us the atonement of 650k deaths in the Civil War. We are told in the book of Genesis, "...the voice of your brother's blood cries (Abel) is crying to me from the ground." (**Gen. 4:10**). I ask you to think deeply on this, how much more does God hear the voluminous amounts of innocent blood cry out which has been spilt from precious babies (easily +100 million)? The payment we deserve for "regulating" such iniquities is terrifying. Thankfully, God is not only a God of justice and wrath, but of mercy and forgiveness as well (**Exo. 34:6-7, 2 Chro. 7:14**). There undoubtedly will be consequences for what we have allowed to happen in our nation, however if we seek to abolish abortion immediately (not incrementally) and establish just scales, God may spare us from the full cup of His wrath that we deserve.

I shall conclude with the same warning Christ gave to His disciples, "Remember Lot's wife." (Luke 17:32). Conservatives and Prolife orgs need to quit looking back at all the legislation and trigger bills that were built on sinking sand. The answer is not banking on Roe to be overturned, but to flex our State sovereignty rights when higher authorities give unrighteous commands. States that have allowed Marijuana to be legal (despite what the Feds have told us), reminding the Federal Government that their authority has limits. Let us do the same by ending abortion in our State. We are approaching 50 years since Roe was considered "law", and nearly a million babies are murdered each year in America. Unthinkable. We must look forward by aiming to codify actual abolition bills into the land. Please quit shutting them down. I know it is frustrating to spend many years trying to establish incremental laws to chip away at this murder tree, however rather than pruning branches with incremental legislation, we must swing the axe of justice at its trunk; knocking it down with legislation that immediately abolishes abortion and treats it for what it is, Murder. No more exceptions, abortion is murder, do your duty, please bring justice for the preborn so help you God! In Jesus' name END ABORTION NOW!

May Light Prevail,

## Jasahd Stewart

P.S. We are of course thankful to God for the certain lives that have been saved through incremental legislation, however we should aim to present bills which call for the immediate end of abortions in our state.