Do Pass Testimony
of Doug Sharbono, citizen of North Dakota
on HB1176
in the Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

Dear Chairman Headland and members of the House Finance and Taxation Committee,

I am writing as a citizen and believe HB1176 is great legislation. With the SCOTUS landmark case Dobbs vs. Jackson being the law of the land, Roe v. Wade has been found unconstitutional. This makes abortion illegal in North Dakota, whether one agrees with that or not. We are a prolife state where a significant portion of our population believe in the sanctity of life. Our US Government says life is an unalienable right given by our Creator.

This legislation provides incentive for support of maternity homes. We often hear the old saw for which the opponents to the prolife supporters deride them. They say we are good at bringing a baby into the world, but do a poor job of providing for that baby. Presumably, the opponent's solution is to destroy that life. We now have a solution that both sides of the abortion argument should be able to support if we take everyone's word at face value. HB1176 incentivizes the support of the babies brought into the world that lack the support of a traditional family home environment. This is a win-win.

I ask for your Do Pass on HB1176.

Thank you,

Douglas B. Sharbono

Doug Sharbono
1708 9th St S
Fargo, ND 58103