

My name is Rodney King. I am writing to support HB1373.

The Bible clearly states that human life begins at fertilization (Psalm 51:5; 139:13-16, Jeremiah 1:5) and that each human is made in the image of God (Genesis 1:26-27; 9:6). It is also clear that God hates the shedding of innocent blood (Proverbs 6:16-17). Abortion is the murder of the most innocent among us with malice aforethought, and God hates it.

Christ commands us to love our neighbor as ourselves (Matthew 19:19), and this would include our preborn neighbors. In addition, He has ordained civil magistrates to be "an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer" (Romans 13:4) and "to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God" (Micah 6:8). He has commanded that justice be carried out without partiality (Deuteronomy 16:19, Proverbs 24:23; 28:21). According to Proverbs 17:15, anyone who justifies the wicked is an abomination to the LORD.

Given these facts, it is incumbent on you, as leaders appointed by the Almighty, to pass this bill and establish justice in North Dakota. Thank you for your time.