

I am a 32-year-old mother of three, our youngest is currently unborn. I have always been strongly against abortion in any circumstance and at any stage of pregnancy. Seeing the ultrasounds of our children wiggling around with all their small but perfect body parts greatly solidified our need as adults to protect the unborn. They are smaller than the children we see running around our house, but we would never say a short person is less human than a tall person. Their level of development isn't as advanced as our children who have been born, but the same is true of a toddler when compared to a teenager. We would never claim that the toddler is less of a human than the teenager. Their degree of dependency is high. But once a baby is born it is still completely dependent on adults to care for him, or he will die. I would hope everyone in our culture knows that would be wrong to leave that baby to die. The environment of the unborn is different from the baby who is born, but our environment has no bearing on our humanity. The unborn deserve every right given to mankind from our Creator God because they are without a doubt as human as any of us. I strongly support HB 1373 and urge its passage to stop these grave crimes against our fellow men and women.