Re: Opposition to HB 1373

Representative Ruby and members of the committee,

My name is Robin J. White and I am a life long resident of Minot. I am writing to express my opposition to HB1373.

This bill would effectively eliminate IVF as an option for North Dakota citizens who are looking to have a child, but are unable to through natural childbirth, by making it a crime should unviable fertilized embryos be disposed of. My daughter is one such prospective mother. IVF is the only option available that will allow she and her husband to have children of their own.

Additionally, this bill fails to provide an exception for abortion of pregnancies in cases of rape or incest. I believe that such an exception is necessary in such cases.

I encourage you to oppose this bill.

Sincerely, Robin J. White