

Dear Legislators,

My name is Luke Anglin, a student in the East Tennessee mountains, businessman, pro-unborn activist, Christian, and servant of the Lord Jesus Christ. I am writing to support House Bill 1373, the North Dakota Prenatal Equal Protection Act.

Nearly 250 years ago, our founders wrote: “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights.” My question for you is, “Will you protect all life equally?”

I ask this because of the danger and injustice of failing to answer “yes.” If you would give a different punishment to the murderer of a black man and the murderer of a white man, do you protect all life equally? Certainly no. If you were to punish the murder of a 30-year-old and a 1-year-old differently, then you also commit an injustice. If you were to treat the killing of a 1-year-old differently than the killing of a preborn person, then you have failed to be equitable and just.

The unborn are treated as choices in this land. What kind of a nation are we if we cannot even protect our most innocent and vulnerable?

Many have believed a false story that abortions have been greatly limited and even banned in many states. But the word is spreading from all sides: abortions have risen since the overturning of Roe V. Wade, even in “abortion-free” states. Pro-life laws have been written to “end” abortions, and yet they make the act of abortion entirely legal for the mother in every way—special murder rights for mothers! This is the equivalent of claiming to write anti-slavery laws, but they make slavery illegal for everyone but the slaveowner.

I do not draw this parallel to slavery lightly. We praise the lawmakers and leaders who had the bravery to stand up to the evil of their day and made a name for themselves by stopping the injustice of slavery. They recognized that all humans were made in God’s image and the truth we now have expressed in the 14th amendment: “No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; **nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.**”

The refusal to sign this Equal Protection bill means disobeying the U.S. Constitution, putting yourself on the wrong side of history, and most importantly, disobeying God Himself. Isaiah 10:1-3 declares God’s curse on those who “write evil laws.” God says that you are His servants, appointed to reward good and punish evil (Romans 13:1-7). You are also commanded to “Rescue those who are being taken away to death; hold back those who are stumbling to the slaughter” (Proverbs 24:11).

Here is God’s command for leaders on earth: “Now therefore, O kings, **be wise**; be warned, O rulers of the earth; **Serve the Lord with fear**, and rejoice with trembling.

Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him” (Psalm 2:10-12).

On behalf of God, I ask that you would serve this nation well, do an act of immense heroism, and stop the bloodshed of innocent humans in this nation. I ask that you would write your history well, and become the first state to abolish abortion. And I ask that you would uphold the 14th amendment of this country, and vote for the Equal Protection Bill.

Sincerely,

Luke Anglin