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ARKANSAS ANNOUNCES OVERWHELMING SUPPORT FOR
SENATE BILL SB6 - THE ARKANSAS UNBORN CHILD PROTECTION ACT
TO ABOLISH ABORTION AND PROTECT ALL HUMAN LIFE

It is time for the United States Supreme Court to redress and correct the grave injustice and
the crime against humanity which is being perpetuated by its decisions in Roe v. Wade, Doe v.
Bolton, and Planned Parenthood v. Casey. With nearly 62,000,000 little innocent baby girls
and boys killed through abortion in our nation since 1973 – it is past time for our nation to
abolish abortion.

In addition to all the House and Senate co-sponsors, I wish to thank the following organizations
and entities that have announced their full support of SB6 publicly:

Arkansas Right to Life
Arkansas Family Council
The Catholic Church of Arkansas
Arkansas Faith & Ethics Council
Arkansas Prayer Caucus Network
Justice Foundation
National Association of Christian Lawmakers
An American Speaks
Students For Life Action
Faith 2 Action
Gov. Mike Huckabee, HuckPAC
Life Legal Defense Foundation

The United States Supreme Court committed a grave injustice and a crime against humanity in
the Dred Scott decision by denying personhood to a class of human beings, African-
Americans; The United States Supreme Court also committed a grave injustice and a crime
against humanity by upholding the “separate but equal” doctrine in Plessy v. Ferguson, which withdrew legal protection from a class of human beings who were persons under the United States Constitution, African-Americans. A crime against humanity occurs when a government withdraws legal protection from a class of human beings, resulting in severe deprivation of their rights, up to and including death; In Brown v. Board of Education, the United States Supreme Court corrected its own grave injustice and crime against humanity created in Plessy v. Ferguson by overruling and abolishing the fifty-eight-year-old “separate but equal” doctrine, thus giving equal legal rights to African Americans; Under the doctrine of stare decisis, the three abortion cases mentioned in SB6 meet the test for when a case should be overturned by the United States Supreme Court because of significant changes in facts or laws, including without limitation the following:

(A) The cases have not been accepted by scholars, judges, and the American people, as witnessed to by the fact that these cases are still the most intensely controversial cases in American history and at the present time;
(B) New scientific advances have demonstrated since 1973 that life begins at the moment of conception and that the child in a woman's womb is a human being;
(C) Scientific evidence and personal testimonies document the massive harm that abortion causes to women;
(D) The laws in all fifty (50) states have now changed through “Safe Haven” laws to eliminate all burden of child care from women who do not want to care for a child – Arkansas has Safe Haven laws in place as well as the Safe Haven Baby Box law as well; and
(E) Public attitudes favoring adoption have created a culture of adoption in the United States, with many families waiting long periods of time to adopt newborn infants; Before the United States Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade, Arkansas had already enacted prohibitions on abortions and authorized the refusal to perform, participate, consent or submit to an abortion.

In the Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 68, states that the policy of Arkansas is to protect the life of every unborn child from conception until birth and that public funds shall not be used to pay for any abortion except to save the life of the mother. There are no exceptions stated for rape or incest in that amendment or in the “Trigger Bill” signed into law in Arkansas in 2019 upon which this current bill is based and Governor Asa Hutchinson signed into law. SB149, now ACT 180 of 2019, passed the Arkansas legislature with 101 out of 135 legislators voting YES – 74.8% majority. 29 out of 35 Senators voted for the bill and 72 out of 100 Representatives voted for the bill. This is the exact same bill – but today we begin the process of flipping the trigger and ending nearly all abortions in Arkansas.

Arkansas also passed the Arkansas Human Heartbeat Protection Act, in 2013, which shows the will of the Arkansas people to save the lives of unborn children and Arkansas has continued to pass additional legislation in 2015, 2017, and 2019 that further shows the will of the Arkansas people to save the lives of unborn children.

Some have stated that now is not the right time to directly challenge Roe v. Wade. I share with you now an excerpt from my friend Janet Porter, the inspiration behind the original Heartbeat Bill legislation, she wrote:

“Until the Arkansas Heartbeat Law in 2013, Americans had been regulating abortion for 48 years with a failed incremental strategy which left us with a body count of more than 62 million
Americans and another million children who continue to be brutally killed each year. Arkansas boldly led the charge to change that. It is time for Arkansas to lead again.

“Right to Life” leaders like Jim Bopp fought the Heartbeat Bills in Ohio and Tennessee, testifying against the most protective bills to ever pass in those states. Speaking against a challenge to Roe, Bopp told the Wall Street Journal, “The last thing we want to trigger is reaffirming Roe v. Wade...That would be a disaster of epic proportions.” For a million children this year what’s happening right now is a “disaster of epic proportions.”

National Right to Life founder Dr. Jack Willke testified for the Ohio Heartbeat Bill in both the House and Senate hearings stating the incremental approach “didn’t get us far enough fast enough.” He was right. He said:

“Whether Roe is affirmed or not, the results are the same: Unborn babies are killed for any reason virtually any time until their birth. We must not wait any longer to protect babies in our state.”

The voices of 62,000,000 dead innocent babies cry out NOW IS THE RIGHT TIME.

Since the 1973 decision of Roe v. Wade, approximately sixty million sixty-nine thousand nine hundred seventy-one (60,069,971) abortions have ended the lives of unborn children. The Department of Health reports that two thousand nine hundred sixty-three (2,963) abortions took place in Arkansas during 2019, including abortions performed on out-of-state residents.

The State of Arkansas urgently pleads with the United States Supreme Court to do the right thing, as they did in one of their greatest cases, Brown v. Board of Education, which overturned a fifty-eight year-old precedent of the United States, and reverse, cancel, overturn, and annul Roe v. Wade, Doe v. Bolton, and Planned Parenthood v. Casey.

Americans United for Life just announced recently that Arkansas is the most Pro-Life state in the nation. We are leaders in the protection of unborn children and we are united to take this bold stand to stop this crime against humanity. We invite all Arkansas citizens to contact your legislators and Gov. Asa Hutchinson and encourage them to take a stand for life, oppose this crime against humanity and support abolishing nearly all abortions in the state of Arkansas.

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The Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act (SB6) is sponsored by Senator Jason Rapert and Representative Mary Bentley for passage in the 93rd session of the Arkansas General Assembly.

Arkansas Right to Life believes that all unborn children should be protected unless there is an immediate physical threat to the mother’s life. Arkansas Right to Life supports Senate Bill 6, The Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act, as filed on November 18, 2020.

We urge for the full protection of unborn children in our state.
Governor Mike Huckabee, via email

On Tue, Feb 9, 2021 at 7:37 PM Mike Huckabee <xxxxxxx> wrote:

To members of the AR General Assembly:

I’m deeply grateful that you are moving forward with SB6 sponsored by Senator Rapert which will be landmark legislation to protect all human life in the state of Arkansas.

Every person has value and worth. There is no human that is dispensable or disposable. This bill, if it becomes law, will make ready for the day when the scourge of abortion is no more in a civilized society. Abortion has destroyed the lives of both the child and the birth mother with a callous disregard of the consequences by those who have made fortunes by pushing the “business” of terminating pregnancies.

It would be wonderful if every single legislator would vote for the dignity due every life and vote for SB6.

Gratefully,

Mike Huckabee, Governor 1996-2007

Founder, HuckPAC
February 9, 2021

To the members of the state legislature of Arkansas and the people of the State of Arkansas,

This is to indicate the support of the Catholic Church of Arkansas for Senate Bill 6: the Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act. As Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Little Rock, which encompasses the entire state of Arkansas, I can tell you that the 150,000 Catholics in our state are united in our opposition to abortion and consistently support efforts in crisis pregnancy centers throughout the state to assist women facing an unplanned pregnancy. All life is sacred, from the first moment of conception to natural death, but nowhere is it more vulnerable than in the womb—and nowhere is it more needful of our protection. Every abortion leaves one dead and one wounded, so by prohibiting abortion in Arkansas, we will not only save the lives of babies, we will also prevent the unnecessary wounding of their mothers.

Therefore, I hereby call on the Arkansas legislature to pass S.B. 6: The Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act.

Sincerely in Christ,

+Anthony B. Taylor
Bishop of the Diocese of Little Rock
February 10, 2021

To the Senate & House Public Health Committees, the AR General Assembly, & Gov. Asa Hutchinson:

As the architect of the original Heartbeat Bill, I am writing to urge your strong support for SB6, the Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act sponsored by Senator Jason Rapert. Arkansas led the way by passing the nation's first Heartbeat Law in 2013, now introduced in 29 states, and passed in ten--with South Carolina about to become the eleventh state to keep hearts beating. Arkansas led the way and the nation followed.

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The idea of waiting is not new. Martin Luther King, Jr. encountered it, stating:

“For years now I have heard the word 'Wait!' It rings in the ear
of every Negro with piercing familiarity. This 'Wait' has almost always meant 'Never.' We must come to see, with one of our distinguished jurists, that "justice too long delayed is justice denied."

As Constitutional Law Professor David Forte, the co-drafter of the original Heartbeat Bill, testified, "Courts never change their minds unless they are invited to." Former Justice Antonin Scalia encouraged people to do just that. The late Justice Scalia said:

"You want a right to abortion? There’s nothing in the Constitution about that. But that doesn’t mean you cannot prohibit it. Persuade your fellow citizens it’s a good idea and pass a law. That’s what democracy is all about. It’s not about nine superannuated judges who have been there too long, imposing these demands on society."

We must remember the oath you took was to the Constitution, not to abortion on demand. It is Roe v. Wade that is unconstitutional, not SB6. But for abortion to end, Roe must be challenged. With President Trump’s appointments of three justices—including Amy Coney Barrett to the U.S. Supreme Court—we have never been in a better position to do so. We can no longer follow the lethal advice to never challenge Roe and wait and hope for abortion-on-demand to somehow be magically overturned. As Professor Forte stated, "Courts never change their minds unless they are invited to." It is time to issue that invitation.

A decade ago, when we introduced the Ohio Heartbeat Bill in February of 2011, I was told it was “impossible.” But I have learned what was once “impossible” is now inevitable. Because of your leadership, Heartbeat Laws have now passed in Arkansas, North Dakota (2013), Iowa (2018), Kentucky, Mississippi, Georgia, Ohio, Missouri, Louisiana (2019), Tennessee (2020), and very soon in South Carolina, with Alabama granting full protection to children in the womb.

Arkansas led the way in 2013. It is now time for Arkansas to lead the way to the end of abortion. Lead again and the nation will follow again.

We are standing with you,

Janet Porter
President Faith2Action
Life Legal Defense Foundation endorses the Unborn Child Protection Act (SB6) for the following reasons:

1) It is imperative that we protect the most vulnerable members of society. It is hard to imagine a more vulnerable class of human beings at this time than innocent children in the womb who are targeted for abortion.

2) SB6 relies on a host of Supreme Court cases that stand for the notion that certain groups of people must not be discriminated against on the basis of arbitrary characteristics, including race, age, and dependency.

3) Black babies in Arkansas are disproportionately targeted for abortion. Over 40% of abortions in the state are performed on black women, even though black women only make up approximately 15% of the total population of women.

4) The state’s two largest abortion clinics, Little Rock Family Planning Services and Planned Parenthood Little Rock, are located in Little Rock, with a population that is over 40% black.

5) It is inherently discriminatory for abortionists to locate abortion clinics in predominately African-American communities, thus disproportionately targeting black women and their babies for abortion.

6) With the possibility of federal legislation such as the Women’s Health Protection Act and the Equality Act that threaten to abolish state restrictions on abortion, it is critical that states enact legislation pursuant their desire to protect the sanctity of human life in order to establish a record of robust protections for unborn life for the courts.

Life Legal strongly urges you to vote yes on SB6.

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**S.B. 6: The Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act**

**Synopsis:** S.B. 6, the Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act, by Sen. Jason Rapert and Rep. Mary Bentley would prohibit abortion in Arkansas except in medical emergencies where the mother’s life is at risk. The bill is virtually identical to Act 180 of 2019, the “trigger law” that the Arkansas Legislature passed to make abortion illegal if the U.S. Supreme Court overturns its 1973 Roe v. Wade decision. Below are a few points to consider.

**Overview of S.B. 6**

- S.B. 6 contains numerous legislative findings outlining why the U.S. Supreme Court should overturn its Roe v. Wade, Doe v. Bolton, and Planned Parenthood v. Casey abortion decisions.

- The bill prohibits abortion except in cases of medical emergency when the woman’s life is at risk.

- Performing or attempting to perform an abortion would be an unclassified felony.
  - The penalty would be a fine not to exceed $100,000 or imprisonment not to exceed 10 years, or both.

  S.B. 6 would not allow a woman to be prosecuted for the death of her unborn child.

- S.B. 6 contains exceptions for contraceptives.

- S.B. 6 creates an affirmative defense for a physician who accidentally or unintentionally causes injury or death to an unborn child.

- S.B. 6 does not explicitly affect or repeal any other state law concerning abortion.

**Additional Points to Consider**

- S.B. 6 is similar to Arkansas’ abortion statutes prior to Roe v. Wade.

- S.B. 6 is virtually identical to Act 180 of 2019 prohibiting abortion in Arkansas if the U.S. Supreme Court overturns Roe v. Wade.


- S.B. 6 would not repeal any other law regulating, restricting, or prohibiting abortion in Arkansas.

- S.B. 6’s exception allowing abortion when the woman’s life is at risk tracks with Amendment 68 to the Arkansas Constitution, which says it is the policy of the State of Arkansas to protect the lives of unborn children and contains exceptions for abortions performed to save the life of the woman.

- Under S.B. 6, a woman could not be prosecuted for having an illegal abortion.

**Please Vote YES On S.B. 6, The Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act**
February 9, 2021

Arkansas Legislators
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: Senate Bill 6

Dear Legislators,

I am conveying to you our unqualified support for Senate Bill 6 (SB6). We would strongly encourage you to support and vote for this very important proposal. Its potential to protect and preserve human life cannot be overestimated.

SB6 will ban all abortions, with the exceptions of those necessary to protect the life of the mother. There are no other exceptions – and there are no other exceptions that could justify the taking of an innocent, defenseless, unborn child. The dignity and sanctity of human life require no less.

In attempting to inhibit the growing support and momentum building for adoption of SB6, its detractors point out that federal courts will strike it down and negate its enforcement. In the short-term, that might occur.

However, regardless of what the short-term may bring, those of us who have struggled to defend unborn human life and consign abortion to the dust bin of history have had to develop a long-view. And the long-view in the context of this matter reveals just how important SB6 could be in two respects.

First, when Roe v. Wade is overturned and discredited, the efficacy of SB6 in protecting innocent human life will be paramount. Secondly, SB6 could be the very means by which Roe v. Wade is invalidated. It is an ideal state law to be used to challenge Roe v. Wade. It is our very wish that the law SB6 becomes serves that purpose.

Respectfully,

Larry Page
February 7, 2021

RE: SUPPORT FOR ARKANSAS SB6 Unborn Child Protection Act to Abolish Abortion

To Arkansas Legislators and Governor Asa Hutchinson:

The Executive Committee of the National Association of Christian Lawmakers (NACL) writes in support of Arkansas SB6 sponsored by Sen. Jason Rapert and Rep. Mary Bentley which would abolish all abortion in the state of Arkansas except to save the life of a pregnant woman in a medical emergency. We have several NACL members serving in the Arkansas legislature including Sen. Rapert and Rep. Bentley.

The fourth provision of our NACL member pledge states:

I pledge to uphold the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until the point of natural death as evidenced by my support for such legislation, my actions, and my votes.

It is with this clear pledge made by all elected official members of NACL that we wish to voice public support for SB6 and urge all Pro-Life legislators in Arkansas to support this bill to abolish abortion and force a challenge to Roe v. Wade at the U.S. Supreme Court. With abortion deaths of innocent babies in our country now approaching 62 million we must end this crime against humanity.

The NACL currently has 23 elected state legislators serving as state chairs in their respective states representing a total U.S. population of approximately 160 million American citizens and has members from all over the United States. The mission of the NACL is to bring federal, state, and local lawmakers together in support of clear Biblical principles by meeting regularly to discuss major issues, propose model statutes, ordinances and resolutions to address major policy concerns in our nation from a Biblical worldview.

In God We Trust,

[Signature]

Hon. Tom Oliverson, M.D.(TX)
Chairman NACL-National Legislative Council
Dear Members of the Arkansas Senate Public Health, Welfare, and Labor Committee,

I am writing you today as the President of Students for Life Action. Our organization works with over 1,200 pro-life student groups across the country whose mission is to abolish abortion and make it both illegal and unthinkable.

We stand behind Senator Rapert’s efforts of Senate Bill 6: The Unborn Child Protection Act to end abortion in Arkansas.

The young people I work with everyday know the truth that science is clear, human life begins at conception. Over 2,362 babies are aborted every day in America. That’s over 862,000 every year or 100 in the last hour alone. Each of those abortions ended a unique human life, worthy of love and respect, and entitled to life and to be treated with dignity.

You see, within the first 18 days, a preborn fetus develops blood vessels and initial brain development. Yet the CDC states that nearly 91% of abortions are committed in the first trimester. That’s why it’s time Arkansas to fully recognize that humanity and legally protect the lives of unborn children from conception onward.

Fortunately, this legislation would charge doctors committing abortions with a felony, potentially earning them jail time, fines, and the loss of their medical licenses. With this approach, doctors will be seriously dissuaded from engaging in the abortion industry, eliminating it as a profitable enterprise. This will help us ensure women are steered toward adoption and life affirming options for unplanned pregnancies.

As the focus of the bill enforcement is doctors and not pregnant women, we also demonstrate our compassion for the additional victims of abortion, the women who have been fooled by a culture that suggests that killing their babies is their only solution or even simply a good solution.

We ask that you stand with those women, and stand up for them and the thousands of children who die from abortion each year in Arkansas and work toward making it the last year abortionists can profit from their pain by voting YES on SB 6. As legislators, you have an opportunity to stand up and end the practice of abortion, saying no more deaths will occur on your watch, and encourage other states to follow the lead set in Arkansas.

Thank you for your consideration, I urge you to stand for life and reject abortion by voting YES on SB 6.

Sincerely,

Kristyn J. Harkins
President, Students for Life Action

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TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATURE:

My name is Allan Parker. I am a former Professor of Law. I am licensed to practice law and currently do so before The United States Supreme Court. I am also the President of The Justice Foundation, a non-profit 501(c)3 public interest litigation foundation. A more complete bio is attached to my testimony. I represent thousands of women hurt by abortion and everything I know about how abortion hurts women comes from women. I will provide you with their testimony as well.

Having reviewed SB6 by Senator Rapert, I am of the opinion SB6 is an excellent vehicle for improving the health and safety of women in Arkansas and moving towards a more just and humane society. Since Arkansas already has a Safe Haven law, as does every other state in the nation, no woman in Arkansas would have to take care of an unwanted child if the bill was passed. On the other hand, Senator Rapert's SB6 is an excellent vehicle for challenging the Supreme Court's current view on Roe v. Wade, Doe v. Bolton, and Planned Parenthood v. Casey.

As you know, Roe v. Wade has never been uniformly accepted by the American people. In fact, it is the subject of “severe criticism”, which is one reason for overturning Supreme Court precedent. SB6 is based on The Moral Outcry Petition. There are already 350,000 signers of The Moral Outcry Petition calling Abortion a Crime Against Humanity, which it is. A Crime Against Humanity occurs when the government withdraws legal protection from a class of human beings, resulting in severe deprivation of rights, including death.

Abortion obviously results in loss of "infant life" as even the Supreme Court has acknowledged in Gonzales v. Carhart, 550 U.S. 124 (2007). The Court in that case also admitted that abortion hurts women. The Court acknowledged that “some women come to regret aborting the infant life she once created and sustained”. “Whether to have an abortion requires a difficult and painful moral decision” and is “fraught with emotional consequence.” The Court also noted that “severe depression and loss of esteem can follow” an abortion. Ibid.

Thus, Arkansas has the chance to lead the nation in using stare decisis, the law of judicial precedent, which all of the members of the Supreme Court have sworn to follow, to lead to the reversal of Roe, Doe and Casey. The Supreme Court has overturned its prior opinions over two hundred times, including even in what Justice Kavanaugh calls its single most important decision, Brown v. Board of Education, which overturned a 58 year old precedent allowing segregation which millions of American’s had unjustly relied upon. The Court overturned a 1972 opinion just last term.
Now under the principles set forth in "The Law of Judicial Precedent" co-authored by Justice Kavanaugh and Gorsuch, et.al, with a forward by Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer, there is a clear pathway for reversing Roe.

In short, Arkansas can stop killing "infant life", instead it already provides a government safety net to help women through the Arkansas Safe Haven law. Finally, there are one to two million people waiting to adopt newborn children in America. https://www.americanadoptions.com/pregnant/waiting_adoptive_families. There will be no burden of foster care for children for the State of Arkansas. It is a win-win for everyone in America, including the women who might otherwise choose abortion today.

I would like to provide to you 4,661 legally admissible written sworn testimonies of Women Hurt By Abortion. The first 108 are from Arkansas. See https://www.dropbox.com/sh/8lksxqweaer4g0u/AAC333beB4p7co5cbyMrSrXKa?dl=0.

These testimonies from around the nation also document the terrible pain of abortion:
https://www.dropbox.com/sh/t0i6esr58vwy2df/AAC8IVWfIkKPfTs0zVKk178yZa?dl=0

Also, here is a link to the Task Force Report of South Dakota which studied the issue carefully: http://www.dakotavoice.com/Docs/South%20Dakota%20Abortion%20Task%20Force%20Report.pdf

Judge Edith Jones of the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals has said the Supreme Court should reevaluate Roe v. Wade. See McCorvey v. Hill, 385 F. 3d 846 (5th Cir. 2004) (cert. denied). In Wayne Stenehjem, et al v. MKB Management Corp, et al, 795 F. 3d 768 (8th Cir. 2015) (cert. denied) the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals unanimously said abortion should be reevaluated. Now, Arkansas can help that occur.

Advancing Life, Liberty and Justice in Him,

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7 February 7, 2021

To: Arkansas State Legislators

From: An American Speaks

Re: SB6 The Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act

Since 1972 62.5M children have been murdered in the womb, that would wipe out the population of 27 of our 50 states plus Puerto Rico. The current population of Arkansas would have been wiped out in the first three years of Roe v. Wade.

What started out as “safe, rare and legal” promises quickly gained momentum to full scale murder of more than million children a year for almost 50 years IN THE NAME OF PRIVACY?! Shame on America. And now we have joined the ranks of the only other two countries in the world that allow late term abortion, North Korea and China, two of the most brutal dictatorships in the world. Yes, we have evolved, evolved into allowing children to lie on a tray gasping for breath, crying for the care that any animal would give it’s offspring. But not America. Not North Korea. Not China. What terrible company we find ourselves in and it all started with Safe. Rare. Legal.

“3 If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do? 4 The LORD is in his holy temple, the LORD's throne is in heaven: his eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men.5 The LORD trieth the righteous: but the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul hateth.6 Upon the wicked he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, and an horrible tempest: this shall be the portion of their cup.” Psalm 11:3-5

Arkansas has fought abortion and promoted laws to protect the health of women, the elderly and vulnerable. This year Arkansas legislators responded to the cries of Arkansans whose churches were shuttered or severely restricted, denying not only the mental health benefits but access to the real services that the faith community provides people in need within their communities. Major retailers and liquor stores were open and busy. What a crime. This session Arkansas passed groundbreaking legislation, HB1195, that will ease the way for women and babies to move through the support system that good people have already put it place. We will finally make it as
easy to NOT have an abortion as abortion providers have made it TO have one. Women will know TRUE CHOICE.

If Arkansas is to be worthy of the title most pro-life state in the country we must rise to the responsibility and unyoke ourselves from the murder of innocents. It is time to say “We are not going to kill babies in Arkansas any longer. WE HAVE A BETTER WAY.”

In our ministry we heed the bible’s command. STAND FIRM.

Toni Rose
Pastor Mike Bishop
Co-Founders An American Speaks

Sources:
National Right to Life
Life Begins at Conception multiple sources:
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7 February 7, 2021

To: Arkansas State Legislators
From: Toni Rose; Arkansas State Director
Arkansas Prayer Caucus Network
Re: SB6 The Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act

My Pastor once told us- Sin is a slow fade.

That the United States of American finds itself in the company of countries that are the most repressive against people of all faiths is repulsive to most Americans. China, North Korea and the United States are alone among nations allowing a child to be dismembered in the womb up to the time of birth. While science universally agrees life begins at conception, we allow a child to lie gasping for air, crying alone, if they have been spared their murder. This is the slow fade, probably unthinkable to those that argued “safe, rare and legal” during the arguments over Roe v. Wade.

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We have seen the destruction of churches, the imprisonment and torture of people of faith in China and North Korea. For the United States it took a pandemic to understand the widespread depth of hostility toward religion and the bias toward our places of worship, even in this state. Is it because we try to hold the line against the legalization of immorality in America? As God is pushed from the marketplace of ideas; work, government, public discussion, news and social media, the secular push against Judeo-Christian values that created the foundation of our country, mount. If we are to be in the company of North Korea and China, what lies ahead for our country, for freedom of religion, for freedom of any kind? How will we continue to devalue life? Already we must push back against the murder of the elderly and infirm. As science has improved the life of
people with Down’s we fight against their slaughter before birth. We can perform
delicate surgery to save an unborn child while slaughtering the equivalent
population of more than half the states in America. The slow fade of secularism as
religion pushes our nation toward Godless comparisons with nations that deny
religious freedom of any faith.

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laws to protect the health of women, the elderly and vulnerable as a massive
secular government continually sweeps away our God given rights. This year
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shuttered or severely restricted, ignoring the many values faith and community
support play for citizens and neighborhoods, while national retail and liquor
stores were allowed almost unrestricted access to their customers.

The bible commands us to stand firm many times throughout its pages.

Arkansas proudly wears the mantle of most pro-life state in the country. We must
rise to the responsibility of that mantle and unyoke ourselves from governments
that deny the rights of people of faith. It is time to stop the slow fade of sin and
repression that creeps across America in frightening escalation.

Stand Firm Arkansas.

Sources:


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3) Black babies in Arkansas are disproportionately targeted for abortion. Over 40% of abortions in the state are performed on black women, even though black women only make up approximately 15% of the total population of women.

4) The state’s two largest abortion clinics, Little Rock Family Planning Services and Planned Parenthood Little Rock, are located in Little Rock, with a population that is over 40% black.

5) It is inherently discriminatory for abortionists to locate abortion clinics in predominately African-American communities, thus disproportionately targeting black women and their babies for abortion.

6) With the possibility of federal legislation such as the Women’s Health Protection Act and the Equality Act that threaten to abolish state restrictions on abortion, it is critical that states enact legislation pursuant their desire to protect the sanctity of human life in order to establish a record of robust protections for unborn life for the courts.

Life Legal strongly urges you to vote yes on SB6.

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Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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SENATE BILL 6

By: Representatives Bentley, Gazaway, M. Berry, Bragg, Breaux, Brooks, Cloud, C. Cooper, Cozart, Crawford, Dotson, Evans, Hillman, Lowery, J. Mayberry, McCollum, McNair, Milligan, Payton, Pilkington, Ray, B. Smith, Tosh, Underwood, Vaught, Wardlaw, Watson, Beaty Jr., Lundstrum, Richmond

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS UNBORN CHILD PROTECTION ACT; TO ABOLISH ABORTION IN ARKANSAS AND PROTECT THE LIVES OF UNBORN CHILDREN; TO PROTECT ALL HUMAN LIFE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS UNBORN CHILD PROTECTION ACT; TO ABOLISH ABORTION IN ARKANSAS AND PROTECT THE LIVES OF UNBORN CHILDREN; AND TO PROTECT ALL HUMAN LIFE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 5, Chapter 61, is amended to add an additional subchapter to read as follows:

Subchapter 4 – Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act

5-61-401. Title.

This subchapter shall be known and may be cited as the “Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act”.

5-61-402. Legislative findings and intent.
through "Safe Haven" laws to eliminate all burden of child care from women who do not want to care for a child; and

(E) Public attitudes favoring adoption have created a culture of adoption in the United States, with many families waiting long periods of time to adopt newborn infants;

(7) Before the United States Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade, Arkansas had already enacted prohibitions on abortions under § 5-61-101 et seq., and authorized the refusal to perform, participate, consent or submit to an abortion under § 20-16-601;

(8) Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 68, states that the policy of Arkansas is to protect the life of every unborn child from conception until birth and that public funds shall not be used to pay for any abortion, except to save the life of the mother;

(9) Arkansas passed the Arkansas Human Heartbeat Protection Act, § 20-16-1301 et seq., in 2013, which shows the will of the Arkansas people to save the lives of unborn children;

(10) Arkansas has continued to pass additional legislation in 2015, 2017, and 2019 that further shows the will of the Arkansas people to save the lives of unborn children;

(11)(A) Since the decision of Roe v. Wade, approximately sixty million sixty-nine thousand nine hundred seventy-one (60,069,971) abortions have ended the lives of unborn children.

(B) In 2015, six hundred thirty-eight thousand one hundred sixty-nine (638,169) legal induced abortions were reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention from forty-nine (49) reporting areas in the United States.

(C) The Department of Health reports that two thousand nine hundred sixty-three (2,963) abortions took place in Arkansas during 2019, including abortions performed on out-of-state residents; and

(12) The State of Arkansas urgently pleads with the United States Supreme Court to do the right thing, as they did in one of their greatest cases, Brown v. Board of Education, which overturned a fifty-eight-year-old precedent of the United States, and reverse, cancel, overturn, and annul Roe v. Wade, Doe v. Bolton, and Planned Parenthood v. Casey.

(b) It is the intent of this subchapter to ensure that abortion in Arkansas is abolished and to protect the lives of unborn children.
or chemical is administered before the time when a pregnancy could be
determined through conventional medical testing and if the contraceptive
measure, drug, or chemical is sold, used, prescribed, or administered in
accordance with manufacturer instructions.

(d) It is an affirmative defense to prosecution under this section if
a licensed physician provides medical treatment to a pregnant woman which
results in the accidental or unintentional physical injury or death to the
unborn child.


/s/Rapert