

VOICE OF TRUTH - The Catholic Voice in the Public Square

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Dear Representative,

As a person devoted to my Catholic faith I am deeply disturbed by both the Maryland Assembly and the United States Congress using my taxes to support the abortion industry in the United States. This is a profoundly immoral and un-Constitutional activity.

Our State and Federal governments must stop providing support in the form of funding for abortions, a flagrant violation of the Constitution of the United States which states all human beings have “the right to life.”

If the government believes, by its laws, women possess the choice to take the life of their pre-born child, women should not expect the government, federal or local, to be responsible monetarily for the choice they have made. Nor should the taxes paid federally or locally by its citizens or insurance companies funded by these citizens, be responsible for the choices made by these women.

We as Catholics hold the following to be The Truth:

1. Our Constitution states we live under the power of our Creator, called by such names as God, Allah, Yahweh by various religions and peoples.
2. He created us through the cooperation of our mother and father, starting with Adam and Eve.
3. Science has proven that our human life starts at conception with the DNA of the parents and the sex determined by the male sperm. This life must be nurtured in the mother’s womb until the child’s physical faculties have matured enough to live outside the womb with the continued assistance of his/her parents.
4. From the time of Moses and the Apostles abortion has been considered evil. In the Didache written about 100 A.D. which summarized “The teaching of the Lord to the Gentiles by the twelve Apostles” it is stated “....you shall not murder a child by abortion nor kill that which is born...” Such condemnations have been repeated ever since by Christian, Judeo and other religious leaders.
5. Our Declaration of Independence states “...that all men [human beings] are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable Rights, that among these are life....”

When many of us write to our government representatives protesting government funding of abortion, we received a reply telling us they are merely supporting the right of women to make their own decision regarding so-called “reproductive healthcare,” a favorite liberal euphemism. They refrain from calling the procedure “abortion,” and certainly ignore the fact that “reproductive healthcare” kills the child in the woman’s womb. You must be aware the

Guttmacher Institute, founded by Planned Parenthood, reported in a 2005 paper that only 4% of abortions were chosen by women because of “physical problems with my health”; 95% of the women who had an abortion did so primarily for social and financial reasons; and less than 1% because of rape or incest.

Today most of you whom we elected to represent us also use the “reproductive health” euphemism and refuse to call it what it is: “**an abortion**,” the killing of a human life. Since abortions ultimately have nothing to do with improving a woman’s physical health, the continual lying by our government, for instance: *you can keep your insurance provider and doctors* in the Affordable Care Act, must cease!

A Government that lies to its citizens is putting the country on the path to the eventual loss of our freedoms, to dictatorship. You must stop lying to us!

All government agencies must cease funding organizations that provide abortions. This also applies not only to Federal agencies but also to Maryland’s Medicaid programs. The justification for abortion is not a question of what your personal beliefs are, but that of respecting the freedoms provided to all human life under our Constitution.

As one of the 5100 Catholic, adult laity of Saint Mary’s Parish in Rockville Maryland who hold these beliefs, I am voicing my concern to you as my government representative.

How you vote on this most profound moral and Constitutional issue, is to be my criteria as to your suitability for the office you now hold.

Respectfully yours,

My Address: