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Sent: Fri, Feb 17, 2023 2:07 pm
Subject: From Ross Schriftman, Re: HB152, Life is a Human Right, Please allow this legislation to be considered

Dear Senators Driskill, Kinskey and Hicks,

I respectfully request that you allow HB152, Life is a Human Right Act, to move forward in the Senate and be assigned to one of your committees for a hearing.

I understand the arguments related to the current act which has been challenged and is before the courts. However, HB152 clarifies many of the issues brought up by the challengers.

I also want you to know how frustrating it has been in not being able to weigh in on the side of the current law when those who support abortion are misrepresenting my faith and make the claim that the current law is unconstitutional because it does not provide a religious exemption. HB152 would provide the sponsors and those who support it to present a defense to the court in additional to the arguments made by the Attorney General. Our organization was allowed to present a friend-of-the-court brief to the U.S. Supreme Court in the Mississippi Case that overturned Roe v Wade and Southeastern Pennsylvania Planned Parenthood v.

Casey. We hope to do the same before the Wyoming Court.

It is important for the Court to know that Judaism is the first pro-life religion and those who take one line from our Talmud out of context to claim that Judaism supports abortion needs to be refuted and corrected. Torah is the Jewish bible. It contains the laws of our faith. On the other hand, Talmud is 2,700 pages of the interpretations and commentary about what the Torah teaches. Judaism does not believe that life begins at birth. Many Torah passages speak to the baby in the womb and Torah commands that we choose life.

We do NOT need a religious exemption

If the baby is not alive before birth, why then is it necessary to starve the baby or stop the heart beat to proceeds with the various forms of abortion?

Also, all life is precious no matter how that child was conceived. Abortion does not erase a rape. In fact, in many cases, it rewards the man who committed this terrible act. We do not punish the innocent. Violating the woman a second time does not solve the issue and many women are raped by relatives or someone they know and abortion does not stop the abuse.

I have attached my article about Jewish values as well as my personal story about my mom. I urge you to allow this legislation to be debated within the Senate.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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