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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: AMANDA RAYBURN		PHONE NUMBER:
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I'm in support of unborn child and children having the constitutional rights.



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: AMBER CRAWFORD		PHONE NUMBER:
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INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: ANGELSEA DOSCHER		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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**I absolutely agree and encourage Missouri lawmakers to protect the unborn.
Specifies that an unborn child, at any stage of development, is subject to the protections of the 5th and 14th Amendments of the United States
Constitution
I completely agree!**



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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: ANGIE REID		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: ARNIE C. AC "HONEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC ADVO		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: ASHLEY SCHUSTER		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
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Every child deserves a chance. I was once pregnant and very afraid, having had a disagreeable relationship with the unborn child's father at the time. In fear I turned to a pro-choice practitioner at Planned Parenthood, initially open to potentially terminating my pregnancy early on. I prayed much prior to this and felt a stirring in my soul to trust in God's plan. I never returned to Planned Parenthood, and they proceeded to call me and send letters via mail stating I might have an ectopic pregnancy and should return. Luckily with a background in nursing I knew very well I was not experiencing an ectopic pregnancy. It is my belief they were fishing for me to return, desiring my money and the termination of my child as a result. The abortion industry does not exist to help women, nor empower and educate them. It exists to destroy them in body and soul. I am thankful the Lord moved in my heart and removed me from my fears. My daughter is now nearly 11 years old, and my life is so much brighter just for having the blessing of knowing her. I share an additional 3 children with her father, which would never have been the case if I had followed through with that horrible decision I was facing. Please vote in favor of further protections for the unborn and to help vulnerable women. Empowering women to sustain their pregnancies is where true growth and healing can take place. Our money in Missouri should be put towards homes and support for single pregnant mothers, not toward abortion centers.



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WITNESS NAME		
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:		
WITNESS NAME: ASHLEY WATSON		PHONE NUMBER: 580-736-5020
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: JCOMT		TITLE:
ADDRESS: 616 E HIGH ST		
CITY: JEFFERSON CTY		STATE: MO
		ZIP: 65101
EMAIL: ashleywatsondo@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/27/2026 10:17 AM
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We support protecting unborn life and giving it all the privileges that humans outside of the womb enjoy as inalienable rights



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: BARB KASPER		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
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All life should be protected from fertilization		



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: BECKY QUICK		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I Fight for Life.



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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: BEV EHLEN		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: BEVERLY JEANNE FLORI		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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It is a scientific fact that a new person with new DNA is formed at conception, the joining of the sperm and egg. Preborn children are human beings from the moment of conception and should be fully protected as such.



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: BILLIE JO SCOBEE		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Children are full citizens of the United States from the moment of conception as much as anyone else born to US citizens. Their rights should be protected just like any born person.



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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: BLAKE ROBINETT		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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I support this completely. Life begins at conception. This should be reflected in our fundamental laws.



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: BONNIE STEINMETZ		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Innocent human life must be protected from killing. Abortion is not healthcare, and should never have been considered a "right". Abortion is immoral for all humanity.



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INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: BRADLEY J PINGEL		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: BRANDI GERIK		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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Children are a gift from God, and should be protected from the moment of conception. At fertilization, each person has their own unique DNA that tells us what traits we will have. To say that this doesn't make unborn children worthy to be protected is like saying my 10 year old isn't worthy to be protected. There is no difference in the two. The baby isn't a burden or parasite to the mother. The baby is a living human being that should be treated and protected fully from conception to birth.



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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: BRANDON DELMONT		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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We do not have the right to condemn the innocent to death. End abortion.



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INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: BRENDA BRAY		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: CARLE GUSTAVISON		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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I strongly support this bill and urge you to vote for it because current legislation is unclear and prone to misinterpretation to manipulate for their own agenda.



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WITNESS NAME: CAROLYN LILLEY		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo. Protect the unborn persons made in the Image of God.			



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INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: CAROLYN SCISM		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: CAROLYN WOODWARD		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: CEDRIC LEE		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: CHERYLALLEN		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I urge you to pass HB 2688



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INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: CHRIS WIER		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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As a medical provider in the State of Missouri I understand from both medical science and regular life that human life begins at conception. Protecting any life of a human is what I have sworn to as well as what we protect here in the USA.



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: CHRISTINA A. MILLER		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I believe that the unborn is a person from conception and they must be protected, under our state constitution and the federal constitution and bill of rights; from prebirth to death.



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INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: CHRISTINE PALLISER		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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I support this legislation



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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: CINDY DEGGENDORF		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: CONNIE LARSON		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I support HB2688



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: DANA SWALLEY		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: DANIEL ALDRIN		PHONE NUMBER:
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In a just and proper society, this bill would not be required. The ideas spelled out in it are written upon the hearts of man. But as we do not live in a just a proper society, I am fully in favor of passing this bill in order to prevent great injustice from being perpetrated on another generation as it was on mine.



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INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: DANIEL F HITE		PHONE NUMBER:
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The right to life is inalienable, and applicable to every human being at any stage of life. Every American should support this bill.



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INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: DEE BRAY		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: DR. GUILLERMO VILLA-TRUEBA		PHONE NUMBER: 573-635-7239	
REPRESENTING: MISSOURI CATHOLIC CONFERENCE		TITLE: HISPANIC OUTREACH MANAGER	
ADDRESS: 600 CLARK AVE			
CITY: JEFFERSON CITY		STATE: MO	ZIP: 65102
EMAIL: villatruebag@mocatholic.org	ATTENDANCE: In-Person	SUBMIT DATE: 1/27/2026 10:52 AM	
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The Missouri Catholic Conference supports the efforts to foster a culture of life and respect for the dignity of the human person. Unborn children are human at every stage of their development. As Pope Francis' doctrinal note "Dignitas Infinita" explains, "human dignity transcends all outward appearances and specific aspects of people's lives." We urge the committee to vote "DO PASS" on HB 2688.



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WITNESS NAME: EDON SMITH		PHONE NUMBER:
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WITNESS NAME		
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WITNESS NAME: ELIZABETH ONEIL		PHONE NUMBER:
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I believe that every human has equal rights. I also believe that life begins at conception. UNBORN children deserve the same rights as BORN children.



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WITNESS NAME: ELLEN L. BISHOP		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Please take time to read this especially last paragraph!

Our family of 6 voters sends our support for House Bill 2688 as we support all measures taken to protect and assist the lives of humans from the point of conception. From that point when life begins 'We must as The People' make way to preserve each life and give an opportunity for each life to Live with Liberty to Pursue Happiness. At no other point do we take other lives or give law to killing innocent lives for convenience, inconvenience, or to erase our own mistakes. We must give Human Life all the protection we want for ourselves at every stage of life! Please vote to support the Missouri Constitution supporting all Life!

We have worked to preserve life in the womb for years and as a single Mom at the beginning of my Motherhood walk... I am grateful life affirming action was made as I now hold grandchildren! Life was an Amazingly Good Choice! I have 'No' mental illness or health issues. I have friends & family who had measures to take their babies lives and they 'ALL' have mental/physical health issues that torment them! Please protect Babies and Mothers... both suffer if you do not and then we all suffer! Living to help the Unborn is the best way to help the Born...Living WITHOUT Regret is a Monumental Liberty! I can Testify to that!!

~ Sincerely, Ellen L. Bishop



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WITNESS NAME: EMMA M MCLEAN		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I support this bill. The vast majority of biologists agree that human life begins at the moment of conception, and a unique DNA is formed - separate of that of the mother's. These are our neighbors - all humans deserve human rights.



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WITNESS NAME: EMMA ROBINETT		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I support this.



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WITNESS NAME: ERIC BAUER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: GENA STEVENSON		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I believe that unborn children are entitled to protections under the US Constitution, and I support any statute that upholds that "life begins at conception".



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WITNESS NAME: GEORJENE TILTON		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I am in full support of HB 2688.



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WITNESS NAME: GINA AND RICHARD BROWN		PHONE NUMBER:	
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INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: HANNAH DELMONT		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Life begins at conception biologically, which means the entire genetic code is present at conception. Spiritually, life begins at conception because God knows each child in their mother's womb. I fully support this bill.



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WITNESS NAME: JACARA HOWEN		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I believe that every life is worthy of human rights, including unborn children in the womb. We are created in God's image and uniquely human from the moment of conception. Please affirm the sanctity of life by protecting the most vulnerable population - unborn children



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WITNESS NAME: JACQUIE THORSTENSEN		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME: JAMEE M STIMPSON		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am in favor of



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WITNESS NAME: JAMES AND VIRGINIA OLIVER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: JAMIE ANN HELBLING		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I support this bill and believe all people should be protected by The Constitution of the United States. I believe a person begins at conception and should have the right to life.



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All unborn children have the right to live.



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WITNESS NAME: JENNIFER PAGANO		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I know too many people whose lives have been forever altered. Protect all life!



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WITNESS NAME: JEREMY JACOBS		PHONE NUMBER:	
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The 5th and 14th amendment should properly be understood to include the pre-born children. We should absolutely recognize this in our state statute.



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WITNESS NAME: JEROME JACOBMEYER		PHONE NUMBER:
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I definitely **SUPPORT** this legislation.



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Unborn children are human beings who deserve the protections that the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments provide. I believe Justice Blackmun erred in his Roe v Wade opinion in regards to the Fourteenth Amendment and the question of personhood.

Abortion is a human rights issue, of which the right to life is preeminent. Unborn children have an equal right to life as anyone who is born.



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WITNESS NAME: JOHNNY L RHODES		PHONE NUMBER:	
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As a medical doctor and pastor believe life begins at conception. The witness of medical science and Scripture support this view. Life begins at conception and the unborn deserve to be protected at all stages of the pregnancy from conception until birth.



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Unborn children at any stage are a person and should have all the rights and liberties any person in this country has. Unborn children should be protected by all amendments, specifically the fifth and fourteenth.



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WITNESS NAME: JUDITH K. BROWN		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Having a knowledge of seeing an egg be fertilized watching the egg light up. Seeing the cells split and develop into a small figure within weeks. Knowing that the embryo is so unique and individual, a person's first few weeks shouldn't be squished out. The moment the egg is fertile it is human. Every individual has a right to life. No matter what size he or she is. If you consistently take the uborns right to life its murder. And makes our species no better than animals. Also a dnc is not an abortion its health care so is caring for an ectopic pregnancy. Saying these are abortions is deception. Health care is not supposed to take a life, it preserves life. Thank you for hearing me.



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WITNESS NAME: KAREN LOCKHART		PHONE NUMBER:
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I support the 5th and 14th amendment that protects the life of a child at any stage of development.



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The life of a child is precious from the moment of conception and deserves to live to fulfill it's God given purpose.



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WITNESS NAME: KASIE HALEY		PHONE NUMBER:
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Please please please protect the unborn!



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I support this bill and believe all people should be protected by The Constitution of the United States.



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BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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I strongly support this bill and that life begins at conception



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Human life begins at conception! Separate DNA means separate life with moral value. Protect those who can not Protect themselves



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WITNESS NAME: KELLY OGLE		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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The Constitution explicitly says that NO STATE SHALL MAKE A LAW DEPRIVING ANY PERSON OF LIFE.

So how is this ignored, and how have we allowed a multi-billion-dollar industry to grow up that literally kills people?

This can't continue. We must end this inhumanity now.



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WITNESS NAME: KENICIA COATS		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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It has been well established that human life begins at conception. It should not be a question, then, that human life deserves protection from the moment of conception, and at any stage of development thereafter. It is barbarism, in my opinion, that we would consider anything less to be appropriate; especially in a time where we have such great advancements in medicine and science, and can clearly see the life in the womb and know that she is a separate person deserving of care. The requirement of personhood, therefore, should only have LIFE as a prerequisite, and babies in the womb certainly meet that. Please, choose to protect life and grant these protections under the 5th and 14th amendments to children in the womb. Right a wrong that never should have been in the first place.



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WITNESS NAME: LACEY SPENCER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Science shows children are a living being even in utero. To take their lives from them inside or outside of the womb should be illegal. Please vote to protect these tiny people.



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I support HB 2688



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I support that an unborn child at any stage of development is subject to the protections of the 5th and 14th amendments of the United States Constitution.



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WITNESS NAME: LINDA SPEARMAN		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I believe babies in the womb deserve the protection as they do outside the womb.



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WITNESS NAME: LISA REHMER		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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WITNESS NAME: LOQUETTA NASH		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I support HB2688 and believe that an unborn child at any age and every stage of his or her life should be valued and protected as a gift from God.



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WITNESS NAME: LUCY OREBAUGH		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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As a woman who kept my child even against Doctors and Families advice, I would like to say that God has the final word! A child from conception is a gift from God. Whatever the circumstances, rather it be medical, incest, rape, or just not wanting it, God created that child and has a purpose for him or her. My doctors insisted I would not survive if I decided to keep my child, my parents tried to get a court order to make me abort, my husband and his family were "trying to talk some sense into me" all the while God gave me peace. Obviously I survived and my baby who should have died or at least be down syndrome came out perfect and just turned 40 this past October.



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WITNESS NAME: LUKE JENNINGS		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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WITNESS NAME: MARK REID		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: MARKUS MCCLELLAN		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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WITNESS NAME: MARTIN P. SCHOENLEBER JR		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I want to support the bill.



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WITNESS NAME: MARTY ANDERSON		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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In 1983 our adopted daughter's mother was injured, and her doctor told her to have an abortion for the sake of one of her organs. She refused. We adopted her child two years later. She grew up to become a happy, boisterous child, an active teenager, a college graduate, a hard-working employee, and a devoted mother. She is the life of every party, a loyal and faithful friend, and an attentive and generous family member. A world without this wonderful woman is unthinkable. The only difference between our daughter and the aborted children is that no one knows how those babies, those people, would have changed the world for the better.



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WITNESS NAME: MATT CRAWFORD		PHONE NUMBER:
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**All people deserve protection regardless of their age, ability, level of development, or other factors.
Anything else is dehumanizing.**



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I would like to testify in strong support of House Bill 2688. HB 2688 does not ask Missouri to invent new rights or redefine the law. It asks us to apply our laws consistently, honestly, and with moral clarity. The General Assembly already recognizes unborn children in Missouri law, in wrongful death statutes, in criminal law, and in inheritance and probate. We already acknowledge that when an unborn child is harmed or killed, a real human life has been lost.

What HB 2688 does is correct the inconsistency of recognizing that life only when it is convenient. This bill affirms a fundamental truth grounded in science and long-standing legal recognition: human life begins at conception, and from that moment forward, that life has protectable interests in health, safety, and well-being. These are not abstract interests. They belong to a developing human being with a genetic identity and a natural course of development that, if uninterrupted, leads to birth.

HB 2688 also properly acknowledges the role of parents. Mothers and fathers are not bystanders in pregnancy. They have legitimate, protectable interests in the life and well-being of their unborn child. Recognizing those interests strengthens families and affirms that children, born and unborn, matter.

At its heart, this legislation is about whether Missouri law will continue to treat unborn children as legal contradictions, recognized in some statutes but invisible in others, or whether we will speak plainly and act consistently.

A society is judged by how it treats its most vulnerable. Unborn children have no voice, no political power, and no ability to advocate for themselves. The question before this body is simple: Will Missouri law acknowledge their existence and inherent dignity, or will it continue to look away?

HB 2688 chooses consistency.
 ?It chooses clarity.
 ?And it chooses life.

For those reasons, I respectfully urge you to pass HB 2688.



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WITNESS NAME: MELISSA A JACOBS		PHONE NUMBER:
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I support this legislation because in the words of Dr. Suess, "A person's a person, no matter how small." The children's book Horton Hears a Who by Dr. Suess has been a favorite of mine for almost 2 decades because of this idea that even very small people deserve to be protected from those who are bigger than them. We now know things about prenatal development that we did not know even 40 years ago. It's time for our laws to catch up to what science has already told us. People in the womb, are just as much people as people outside the womb. Members of the committee, I urge you today be like Horton the elephant and use your strength and size to protect those smaller than you.



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I support this bill and believe all people should be protected by The Constitution of the United States, including the unborn.



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I strongly Agree with this Bill, and Urge that it be passed. I think this bill will help Acknowledge and Protect the life of All babies born or unborn.



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Protect unborn children



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I believe that unborn children have the same rights as anyone else. Unborn children should be protected from abortion.



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A person's a person, no matter how small or early in development. If we devalue life at the beginning, its no different than saying someone's life doesn't have value because they disagree with, or are of a different skin color. To truly treat all humankind as equal we must start in the womb, lest we make hypocrites of ourselves



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WITNESS NAME: NICOLE MCCLELLAN		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: PATRICIA ANNE SMITH		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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I highly support the passage of HB 2688. I strongly believe that unborn children should be protected at every stage of their development, and that these "rights" are protected within the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments of the U.S. Constitution. Thank you for honoring life and securing these inalienable rights for our most vulnerable.



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WITNESS NAME: PAULA BRUGERE		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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I support HB2688. We as adults are to protect the helpless ones in the womb. They are human beings. The 5th amendment and 14th amendment guarantees all the right to Life, liberty, pursue our destiny. We do not have the right to take away another's life because it is inconvenient.



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I am in full support of this bill. I am pro life, God is the only one to give and take life, a child is a gift from God. From the moment a child is conceived there is a heartbeat, there is a little person in there, there is a little innocent person on there that is connected to mommy and depending and trusting on mommy to care for the little baby. The baby is is a Precious gift from God and does not deseever to be murdered.



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WITNESS NAME: REBECCA WHITE		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I support HB2688. It places 100% value onto human beings, from conception to birth, establishing that they are to be kept alive at all costs, no matter if healthy, or any health issues, or unwanted. The unborn baby has 100% rights to life, from conception to birth to natural death date unknown, same as someone who has arrived out of the womb, living on earth anytime from conception to natural unknown death date.

Babies are not to be picked and selected for options of "to kill or live" by anyone, not even a mother of a child she doesn't want, and that does not give her the right to end that baby's life. Instead every baby in a womb deserves the full rights to live and not be aborted(ended) for any reason.

A pregnant mother who is harmed and dies with a baby in the womb, a murderer is guilty of two deaths.

When abortion occurs, one murder has occurred, of that unborn child. To end a life in the womb, is murder, no matter how done or by whomever.

Please pass HB2688 and promote 100% value and 100% sanctity of life for every baby conceived.



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WITNESS NAME: ROBERT RICE		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I support HB 2688 because I believe that human life begins at conception, at conception is set on a known trajectory towards personhood, sentience, and sapience, and because there is currently no law protecting the individual human inside the womb. A society's foundation can be measured by how it protects its most vulnerable and I believe unborn children are the most vulnerable and endangered among us.

This is not about politics but rather humanity and principle. If we claim to value human dignity, equal protection, and the basic rights envisioned by our founders (state and nation), then it lends to reason that we must apply these values consistently. HB 2688's aim is to affirm that the value of life is not conditional on age, size, location, development, and dependency status.

Supporting this bill is a pro-life position rooted in science, reason, and ethics, not in ideology. Human rights, if they are to have meaning to anyone, must be applied to everyone.



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WITNESS NAME: ROBIN FOWLER		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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I believe life begins at conception and pre-born babies have the right to life and to be protected by law, as does every other individual citizen. Please pass this bill.



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WITNESS NAME: SAMUEL H. LEE		PHONE NUMBER: 314-368-4242	
REPRESENTING: CAMPAIGN LIFE MISSOURI		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 142585			
CITY: SAINT LOUIS		STATE: MO	ZIP: 63114
EMAIL: samuelhlee@mindspring.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/26/2026 10:54 PM	
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WITNESS NAME: SARAH SOUTHARDS		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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As a pro life Christian, I support the sanctify and individuality of life from the moment of conception and believe all babies should be protected and given rights as full individuals with all benefits, provisions and protection of the law.



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WITNESS NAME: SARIAH LADE		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Unborn children are human beings. If we do not acknowledge babies as so when in the womb, at what point could any human being be considered "alive"? It is a treacherous game to start drawing that line. If we do not grant a fetus status and the right to life, how can we grant it to an infant or a toddler - stages of human development who are similarly vulnerable and dependent?

Unborn children are the future of our society. If we fail to shelter them and fail to recognize their status as human beings of equal value with us, then we have failed as a developed society. Babies in the womb are among the most vulnerable members of our human race, negligence in shielding them shows weakness of moral character and a lack of fundamental human compassion. It also puts at risk other vulnerable members of our society, for if we do not care to guard our children, how can we guard our elderly, our disabled, our sick and injured, or our veterans? All human beings must be granted equal protection under Missouri law or else our moral foundation and future as a society is severely compromised. This bill must be passed.



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WITNESS NAME: SHANNON L. HUX		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I urge you to vote in favor of passing HB2688. The most innocent Americans among us, the preborn, from conception, deserve the same human rights as other Americans. Our right to Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.



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WITNESS NAME: SHEILA TAYLOR		PHONE NUMBER:
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I believe, that life begins at conception and that the unborn fetus, should be afforded the same human rights, in utero, as all people possess post birth. I support this bill



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WITNESS NAME: SHERI HARD		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Abortion should never be used as a form of birth control. To say that it isn't with the vast number of annual abortions is disingenuous. Pregnancies as the result of rape/incest account for ~5%. Furthermore, taxpayers should never have to pay for any abortions under any circumstances.



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WITNESS NAME: SHERRY FIRE CONLEY		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I want my new mom Sadie Busch Winterscheid ASL interpreter who knows me because I lost my other old mother died on August 2022.

If without my new mom Sadie then I will have no life such as car already ran over me almost death on February 10, 2025.

I want to be her daughter so she is my mom



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children should never be killed from conception ever



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Protect the unborn children



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WITNESS NAME: STEPHANIE RADEMAN		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I stand with the protection of preborn human beings and that all life is a gift of God and begins at conception.



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I wish to support this HB2688 regarding unborn



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WITNESS NAME: SUSAN KLEIN		PHONE NUMBER: 573-635-5110
REPRESENTING: MISSOURI RIGHT TO LIFE		TITLE:
ADDRESS: PO BOX 651		
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		ZIP: 65102
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WITNESS NAME: TERESA ANDERSON		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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Please pass this bill to protect our future. All life is sacred! The last bill was confusing and many of the people I have talked to had no clue what it really authorized!



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WITNESS NAME: TERRY HOWEN		PHONE NUMBER:
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Please support life at conception and the unborn in our state. Thank you.



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The life protected after birth is the same human inside the womb and deserves the same protections



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WITNESS NAME: TIMOTHY FABER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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This should be a no-brainer. If a pregnant woman is injured in a car accident and as a result, her unborn child dies, shouldn't the person who caused the accident be held liable for causing the death of another person? Doesn't that child have the right to live as any other person?
To deprive anyone of life is a matter reserved only for the judicial system, and only when exercised against those who are guilty of heinous crimes. An innocent child should never be deprived of their rights.



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Children are a gift from God. He forms them in their mother's wombs. They are living human beings with a soul and to say that they deserve to live is an understatement. Their lives should be protected. From conception to after they are born.



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WITNESS NAME: TRAVIS E. LEVENS		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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The only consistent protection of life is protection from the moment of conception, to the extent reasonably knowable and possible by the law. Government is given its authority to protect life and restrain evil by God, through the People. The mass killing of unborn children—and no difference drawn between the unborn and born children withstands scrutiny—every year is an affront to God, a tremendous offense against humanity, and perhaps the greatest evil to occur in the last 50 years. 1/3 of my generation is not here thanks to abortion. Our children are being sacrificed on the altars of economic opportunity and girlbossing on one hand and casual, meaningless, damaging promiscuity on the other. I do not have the time to lay out a vigorous and comprehensive case against abortion here and now. Any honest review of the scientific knowledge and ethics of the whole situation, however, coupled with a God-fearing respect for human life and the truth, should lead one to oppose this horrific practice, one that literally tears babies limb from limb. Support this bill, stand for life, and make a difference.



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I urge you to support this bill.



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Dear Chairman and Members of the Children and Families Committee,
 I am Walter Hayes, a resident of Carl Junction, Missouri, and I submit this written testimony in strong support of House Bill 2688.

Missouri has long affirmed the sanctity of human life through Section 1.205, RSMo, which declares that the life of each human being begins at conception, that unborn children have protectable interests in life, health, and well-being, and that state laws must be interpreted to grant unborn children—at every stage of development—all rights, privileges, and immunities available to born persons, subject only to the U.S. Constitution and Supreme Court interpretations.

HB 2688 builds on this solid foundation by recognizing that unborn children are entitled to protections under the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments of the U.S. Constitution. This clarification strengthens Missouri's consistent pro-life stance without creating new liabilities or overriding existing safeguards, such as the provision that nothing in the section creates a cause of action against a woman for indirect harm through personal prenatal choices.

In a post-Dobbs era, reinforcing these principles in statute helps ensure Missouri law fully acknowledges the humanity and rights of the unborn while respecting federal limits. I urge the Committee to pass HB 2688 to affirm the protectable interests of unborn children and their parents, consistent with Missouri's values and existing law.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,
 Walter Hayes
 610 Hayes Ave
 Carl Junction, MO 64834



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Missouri voters made clear that we want access to legal, safe abortion in our state. The job of our representative is to represent the will of the people, not personal belief or special interests. Uphold the will of the people. Keep abortion safe and legal in MO.



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Abortion is a human right and the government should never dictate what a woman or person can do with their body. Not having access to safe abortion will hurt people in more ways than imaginable. Please make the right choice.



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I am in opposition of this anti abortion bill.



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Women have a right to their own bodies. Abortion should be safe, legal, and easily accessible. Abortion is medical care.



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This bill will greatly infringe on the liberties of the people. These decisions should be between patient and doctor and government should not interfere. Also how about some house bills that actually protect children after being born for once?



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Fetal personhood is dangerous and creates problems for healthcare providers and pregnant parents facing the complications of complicated fetal growth that compromise the health of the pregnant woman. There are so many conditions during pregnancy that restrict the growth of a viable fetus one that can live outside the womb and threaten the life of the woman carrying the baby, like severe pre-eclampsia or eclampsia. This legislation would create more instances where women who are pregnant with nonviable or dangerously growing fetuses could be forced to carry those pregnancies until the woman's health itself is threatened. This type of legislation is out of touch with the will of Missouri voters who voted to take Missouri politicians out of private and very personal medical decisions, particularly those heartwrenching choices regarding fetuses with complicated and nonviable growth outcomes.



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Missourians just demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November



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The citizens of this state passed a constitutional law to legalize abortion medical care. The elected officials must respect the state constitution.



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A fetus is not the same as a legal entity and should not be granted the same rights as one. The people of Missouri have already voted to enshrine abortion in our constitution and this is a cheap attempt to circumvent that legal vote.



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This bill completely disregards the personhood of the woman who is pregnant. As I read this bill it intends to say that when a woman is pregnant she is not entitled to the protections of the Fifth and the 14th amendments. If enacted, so-called "personhood" measures could interfere with personal, private, medical decisions relating to decisions about birth control, access to fertility treatment, management of a miscarriage, and access to safe and legal abortion. These extreme and dangerous measures have been both rejected by voters and defeated in the courts.



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**This bill will take away the rights of women. Women deserve to have autonomy over their own bodies.
The state needs to keep its hands off our bodies.**



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I urge the committee to oppose this bill. First, this bill is ignoring the person growing the fetus and handing over their rights to an embryo that becomes a fetus in gestation--not an unborn child. Second, criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care. Third, Missourians just voted in November 2024 to keep our reproductive freedom intact.



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I am a Family Physician who has practiced medicine in Missouri for 27 years. I have encountered numerous situations where termination of a pregnancy is necessary to prevent harm to the mother. These decisions are never made lightly and should be kept between the patient and her physician. Turning life-saving medical procedures into criminal offenses does not support the women of Missouri. I will continue to oppose any laws that restrict abortion care or that medically appropriate healthcare a criminal offense. The people of Missouri have already spoken on this - do not undermine their wishes.



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Keep abortion safe and legal, just like the majority of us voted for last year.



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I'm in opposition to HB2688.



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Hello, my name is Amber Frazier. I'm a resident of Lee's Summit, MO. I oppose HB2688 as a woman and a mother. Abortion should remain legal in order to prevent medical emergencies & keep difficult Healthcare choices between a woman & her doctor.

-These types of bills, created by anti-abortion lobbyists, NOT medical experts, were designed to stigmatize/other abortion care as part of a larger anti-abortion strategy to make abortion illegal and unavailable in all cases.

-Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care.

-Missourians agree that no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making.

-Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

-Missourians have already voted to keep abortion legal & our voices/votes should be respected.



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I believe criminalizing abortion or otherwise safe reproductive care for women is detrimental to mothers, fathers, families and doctors. Miscarriages are very common and women should not be held criminally accountable. Sepsis from a miscarriage, pregnancies resulting from rape or incest, and other complications during pregnancy may call for a medical abortion for the health and safety of the mother. Pregnant women need to be able to receive the necessary care they need in Missouri and doctors should be able to offer it with out having to face criminal charges. Pregnant women should also not have to die or permanently damage their reproductive health because they can't receive the care they need. Criminalizing abortion makes it terrifying and potentially unsafe to get pregnant at all. Women like Adriana Smith who was turned away by her doctor when having pregnancy complications and soon died, but then was grossly kept alive by ventilators against the wishes of her family after being declared brain dead, is an example of the danger and chaos that criminalizing abortion creates.



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You are trying to go against the wishes of Missouri voters who passed legislation to keep abortion legal in our state. This isn't about you; follow the will of the people and do the job for which you were elected.



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WITNESS NAME: AMY HAMMERMAN		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN ST. LOUIS		TITLE: STATE POLICY ADVOCATE	
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CITY: ST. LOUIS		STATE: MO	ZIP: 63141
EMAIL: akuo.hammerman@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/26/2026 4:04 PM	

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I am Amy Kuo Hammerman. I volunteer as State Policy Advocate with the National Council of Jewish Women St. Louis, a nonprofit organization representing 5,000 members and supporters from across the state. We are guided by Jewish values to improve the lives of women, children, and families through direct services, education, advocacy, and philanthropy, while safeguarding individual and civil rights.

HB 2688 would extend 5th and 14th Amendment U.S. constitutional rights to embryos and fetuses. This would effectively ban abortion in Missouri, which is protected by the Missouri constitution as a part of the right to reproductive freedom. Moreover, this bill would interfere with the free exercise of religion for people of Jewish faith. Under Jewish law, life does not begin at conception. Further, various Jewish texts explicitly state that abortion is not only permitted but is required should the pregnancy endanger the life or health of the mother.

Different religions believe that human life begins at different stages of development. Science can explain developmental stages, but philosophical and religious viewpoints largely determine what exactly defines "life" or "personhood" for each individual. NCJWSTL believes that the 1st Amendment of the U.S. Constitution guarantees that no one religion should be enshrined into law or dictate public policy on any issue, especially abortion.

NCJWSTL urges you to vote NO on HB 2688.



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Women deserve the undeniable right to choose to have an abortion. The government has no right to take away a woman's choice.



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Missouri already has some of the highest maternal mortality rates in the United States. Pregnancy and birth are dangerous times for women and we deserve to be trusted to make the best decisions for our bodies with the counsel of our doctors, and no interference from politicians in Jefferson City. Please safeguard access to comprehensive reproductive healthcare, including abortion, and address Missouri's abysmal maternal mortality rate with evidence and science based solutions.



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I've already voted to protect the right of 18 year old and older women to decide if their body births a child. As a 50 year old woman who had an abortion as an 18 year old, it's no one's decision but that woman's if parenthood is right and safe at that time. I now have two children and am protecting their body rights by demanding you respect the will of the voters, who **ALREADY VOTED** on this legislation.



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Abortion care is healthcare. Doctors and patients are the only ones who should make these decisions. We don't force people to donate their bodies to save other people so why should this be any different. Missouri constituents have spoken and full unfettered health care is what we need and want.



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I oppose any legislature that infringes upon the rights of women, whole, live persons, to be able to make decisions about their healthcare with the support of their medical providers.

Doctor and patient privilege applies to men and women. Reproductive care is as important and private for women as men.

Fetuses are not persons. Sperm are not persons, ovum are not persons.

I urge you to move out of our personal lives and govern the infrastructure and social needs of our society like education.



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The people of Missouri already voted for this and have shown that we need it. Do not take it away from us.



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U.S. Constitution law has consistently rejected the idea that embryos or fetuses are “persons” under the 14th Amendment. Conception based personhood would create un-administrable legal obligations, including criminal liability for miscarriage or natural embryonic loss

Unique DNA is not sufficient for personhood. Tumors and cells also have unique DNA. Personhood depends on function and capacity, not genetics alone. (American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Ethics Guidance)

There is no medical consensus on when an embryo becomes a human. The belief that life begins at conception is a religious belief that is not supported by the majority of Missourians



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**The people of Missouri have already voted. WE WANT ACCESS TO SAFE AND LEGAL ABORTION.
Listen to the people!**



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We've already spoken as a state on abortion. We don't want bans. Stop trying to get this heinous legislation passed. It kills people.



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Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

Missourians demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November.



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I worked hard to get enough signatures to get abortion on the ballot and MISSOURIANS approved the initiative. Stop trying to take away what the majority of us voted for. I serve as an escort at an abortion clinic and women need to have this option! Stay away from women's bodies. This is a private Healthcare decision between a woman and her doctor. You can bet if it was MEN who carried the babies, there would be zero issue.



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I don't know many women who have had an abortion. All of the women I know who have had an abortion needed the procedure to stay alive and to protect their fertility. Unfortunately, pregnancy can be dangerous to a woman's health and life. That's just the reality. Sadly, sometimes something goes wrong and abortion is the treatment that will save a woman's life. We need laws that protect women, their health, and their freedom to make decisions about their own healthcare. This legislation would put women at risk. It could kill them.



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I do not support bill hb 2688. An individual with a uterus should have full rights to their own body, and what they do with it, an unborn child does not and shall not supersede the right(s) of the individual giving birth.



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Politicians and citizens have no right to make medical decisions for a woman. Those decisions should be left between her and her doctors. Those two should decide what is best for the combination of the woman and the unborn baby. Making abortion illegal in general discriminates against the pregnant woman without regard for the reason for the abortion decision...which is not the business of any 3rd party.



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An unborn FETUS does not deserve more rights than the woman carrying it, especially before it's reached viability! Abortion is healthcare! Stop trying to control women.



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I am mother of two children who also experienced multiple miscarriages prior to having my children. Both of these miscarriages required medical intervention. It is not the role of the government to tell a women and her doctor what is best for her. You are hurting more women and families by ignoring the voice of the people of Missouri who voted to keep abortion legal.



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This bill is not based on science or medical best practices and will only harm Missourians. Think about the women who have needed medical abortions but have been denied. Think about the women who will have to go through painful miscarriages when an abortion could have been beneficial.



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The people voted for women to have a right to chose what is best for their health. This is fascism.



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These types of bills, created by anti-abortion lobbyists, NOT medical experts, were designed to stigmatize/other abortion care as part of a larger anti- abortion strategy to make abortion illegal and unavailable in all cases. RESPECT MISSOURI VOTERS. Missouri voters approved a return to abortion care, respect the vote. Abortion care IS medical care.



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Hi Mr. Chappell, my name is Ashley Tobeck and I am one of your constituents. I oppose the unborn children bill because women are dying everyday from not being able to access necessary medical care during pregnancy. Imagine your wife or a woman in your family dies from pregnancy; how would you feel if they could not get the medical care they needed to stay alive and take care of their child? Please vote in opposition to this for all the women that are dying daily from not being able to get help when their pregnancy is in danger.



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There is no reason for the government to invade private healthcare decisions. Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people by delaying or denying needed care. Missourians have already spoken and demanded and won their right to access to legal abortion. Politicians who refuse to accept the will of their constituents will lose their jobs next election.



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I have known women who made the heartbreaking decision to get an abortion early in pregnancy. It is not a decision made lightly. No one should make that decision for any woman, especially male lawmakers with no medical background or no direct experience with an abortion. It is wrong to try to remove a woman's right to choose. Missouri voters already decided this issue. This is an unfair and dishonest attempt for elected officials to impose their will and control over women. The voters of Missouri have spoken and have taken a stand on this issue. Let it be.



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I submit this testimony as a resident of the State of Missouri in opposition to HB 2688.

HB 2688 claims that an "unborn child at any stage of development" is entitled to the protections of the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution. This position is NOT supported by current constitutional law.

The Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments protect "persons" through guarantees of due process and equal protection. For more than a century, federal courts, including the U.S. Supreme Court, have consistently interpreted constitutional personhood to begin at birth. The Dobbs decision returned abortion regulation to the states but did not redefine who qualifies as a constitutional rights holder. A state statute cannot expand or reinterpret federal constitutional meaning, and under the Supremacy Clause, such an attempt is legally invalid. In other words, this is NOT a philosophical discussion, it is very settled law.

The bill is also overly broad. The phrase "unborn child at any stage of development" is undefined and could be interpreted to include fertilized eggs or embryos prior to implantation. This lack of precision creates serious legal and medical uncertainty involving miscarriage care, IVF, and routine reproductive health decisions. Laws that affect constitutional rights must be narrowly and clearly written. This bill is NOT.

Granting constitutional rights to the unborn also creates unavoidable conflicts with the established constitutional rights of pregnant people, who are unquestionably legal persons under the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments. The bill offers NO mechanism for resolving these conflicts.

Finally, human development is complex. Biologically speaking, early development follows a default female gender, which is a reminder that rigid legal definitions imposed at "any stage" are very poorly suited to constitutional law.

For these reasons, HB 2688 is constitutionally unsound, legally dubious at best, and likely to invite very costly litigation, wasting valuable taxpayer dollars. I urge the committee to oppose this bill.



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Please don't overrule a vote of the people again. The moral thing to do is to again allow abortions in Missouri. Abortions are one of the safest medical procedure that exists. please allow women to have control over their own bodies.



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What part of the vote on reproductive freedom passing with a majority vote wasn't clear? Missourians want the government OUT of our healthcare decisions and the freedom to make decisions about our bodies. Forcing women to carry pregnancies they don't want leads to more death, more neglect, more abuse... and what are you willing to do for us to make motherhood the best choice when you're already struggling?

Follow the will of the people. We want reproductive freedom. We already made that clear.



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Voters have already addressed the Healthcare procedure of abortion. Law makers are happy to accept the will of the voter when it elects them and should do so in this case as well. Politicians have no place (and most have no understanding of) in female Healthcare. There are truly too many instances that can occur that any law restricting access puts women's lives at risk. A living, breathing woman with loved ones, current children, who may want more children later deserve the right to privately make these decisions with medical professionals who are trained to respond. This is discrimination on the basis of sex, as there is no example of men's health care being controlled by politicians.



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Abortion is legal and constitutional in Missouri. Voters passed Amendment 3 and gave a clear message to lawmakers to stay out of Missourian's right to privacy and medical decision-making. So why are we wasting time with hearings about "personhood" that conflict with our US constitution? By the way, the science is clear that fertilized eggs, embryos, and fetuses are not unborn children and not considered persons under our constitution. Please address issues and solve problems that will improve our quality of life and affordability!



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Missourians voted to make abortion legal. Missouri women have the right of reproduction freedom. It is not the right of government to deny women this. This bill would force women into unsafe treatments, the so-called back alley abortions. This bill is a big one for the Culture Wars. Government does not have the right to fight for Culture Wars.



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My name is Blythe Burkhardt and I'm a voter in St. Louis. I'm submitting this testimony in opposition to HB2688. This bill, created by anti-abortion lobbyists, NOT medical experts, is a blatant attempt to stigmatize abortion care as part of a larger anti-abortion strategy to make abortion illegal and unavailable in all cases.

Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care. No one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making.

Missourians already voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom and Missouri politicians must respect the will of the people.



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Missourians favor abortion access



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Abortion is a civil human right, and women are in control of their bodies - not the government. Life-saving operations won't be available if this passes. Please do the right thing.



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Abortion is healthcare. It is between a woman and her trusted medical professional, NOT the government. Banning abortion kills women! Missouri needs to trust the women who live here to medically care for their own bodies the way they see fit. Just because some of the politicians in Jefferson City read a book that says abortion is murder, while disregarding the same book with stories of father's murdering their first born sons in the name of God, doesn't mean these opinions/beliefs should be pushed onto every woman in the state. We voted to protect our rights to healthcare and the right to abortions, stop trying to criminalize women and listen to the Missouri People who have already made their voices clear when we passed Amendment 3.



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The citizens of Missouri have made their wishes clear and the GOP needs to abide by the passage of the amendment.



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Abortion is legal and constitutional in Missouri. Voters passed Amendment 3 and gave a clear message to lawmakers to stay out of Missourian's right to privacy and medical decision-making. So why are we wasting time with hearings about "personhood" that conflict with our US constitution? By the way, the science is clear that fertilized eggs, embryos, and fetuses are not unborn children and not considered persons under our constitution. Please address issues and solve problems that will improve our quality of life and affordability!



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We already voted on this, listen to the people.



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My name is Brittany Kiefer and I oppose HB2688. This bill denies science and medical practice while also being in direct opposition to the will of the people. We made ourselves clear at the ballot box in 2024. Missourians demand access to safe, legal reproductive health care. Pregnant people deserve all the rights and autonomous personhood as any other citizen. It is not the state's right to interfere with personal, medical decisions that should be made between and person and their doctor. Oppose HB2688.



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Here we are again. Republicans trying to control what women do with their bodies. We deserve our bodily autonomy just like our male counterparts. You wouldn't make a person give up their heart for somebody else to live. You aren't making males get vasectomies so they can't impregnate females. A fetus inside a woman does not get the same right as the woman. We are not breeders or human incubators. Women are dying of preventable deaths due abortion bans. States with abortion bans have some of the highest maternal and infant mortality rates. Not very "pro-life" is it. These types of bills, created by anti-abortion lobbyists, NOT medical experts, were designed to stigmatize/other abortion care as part of a larger anti- abortion strategy to make abortion illegal and unavailable in all cases. The sponsor of this bill or any other politician does not and should never have more say over what my daughter or any female does with her body especially medical decisions. That is not your right. We deserve reproductive freedom. We should not have to continue to fight for it since we voted to remove the snoring ban. Respect the voters. Stop wasting our time and tax dollars on these stupid bills that show a clear government overreach.



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To the Members of the Committee,
 I submit this testimony in opposition to Missouri House Bill 2688.

HB 2688 is unethical, medically unsound, and fundamentally incompatible with bodily autonomy, medical privacy, and evidence-based healthcare.

By attempting to grant constitutional rights to a fetus from the moment of conception, this bill places the state between a patient and their doctor and strips people with uteruses of their right to make informed medical decisions about their own bodies.

Bodily autonomy is a cornerstone of both medical ethics and human rights. No person should be forced to surrender control over their body to the government, especially in matters as intimate and consequential as pregnancy, miscarriage, or reproductive healthcare.

HB 2688 effectively treats people with uteruses as secondary to a legal abstraction, reducing them to vessels rather than full persons with rights, agency, and dignity.

This bill directly threatens medical privacy. Reproductive healthcare decisions are protected because they are deeply personal and often lifesaving. When the state assigns competing constitutional rights to a fetus, it invites surveillance, investigation, and interference in private medical care. That erosion of privacy does not protect patients — it endangers them.

HB 2688 also contradicts the overwhelming consensus of the medical community. Organizations such as the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the American Medical Association are clear: reproductive healthcare decisions must be guided by clinical judgment and the patient's needs, not political ideology.

Laws like this interfere with standard medical care, delay treatment, and place clinicians in legal jeopardy for doing their jobs according to established medical standards.

The harms of this bill will not be theoretical. They will fall disproportionately on people with uteruses — especially those who are low-income, rural, disabled, or already marginalized — increasing health risks, worsening outcomes, and deepening inequities that Missouri already struggles with in maternal health.

Missouri legislators are not medical providers, and this body is not equipped to override decades of medical research, ethics, and professional standards. Legislating reproductive healthcare through ideology rather than evidence puts lives at risk.

Finally, I urge this legislature to stop attacking women and people with uteruses using outdated fairytales, religious dogma, and ideological beliefs that do not belong in medical decision-making or state law. Personal beliefs are not a substitute for science, ethics, or constitutional rights.

HB 2688 does not protect life. It removes autonomy, erodes privacy, and denies people the right to the best medical care available. For these reasons, I strongly urge you to reject this bill.

**Respectfully submitted,
Cammie Storm
West Plains, Missouri**



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A fetus should not have the same rights as a human breathing air. As it is, a fetus has more rights than the woman carrying it. It is well past time this state start focusing on something other than abortion. How about education? Infrastructure? Healthcare?



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Abortion is healthcare.

I had an abortion due to a miscarriage. Without the abortion I would have gone into sepsis and died.

Please do not criminalize abortions.



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Anti-abortion lobbyists, not medical people, created these bills as part of an attempt to make all abortions in all cases illegal. The people of this state have already stated that they want abortion to be available and legal in this state, but state representatives are ignoring that. The people have already voted to keep politicians and government out of personal, private, medical decisions. This needs to be remembered and honored by our elected representatives.



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We refuse to allow our rights to be taken away. Women's healthcare decisions belong to women and their doctors.



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The people of Missouri already made a decision about abortion and the legislature has absolutely no right to ignore that decision.



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Stop trying to prevent women from having bodily autonomy. Women are people who belong to themselves and there is no reason for government to dictate healthcare.



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Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom. ABORTION IS HEALTHCARE



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Protecting abortion access is an essential part of Women's Health Care needs in Missouri. Barriers to Health Care lead to medical, financial, economical issues for for all Missourians.



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The people of Missouri already voted to uphold the right to abortion. We have spoken - listen to the majority.



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Abortion is a medical procedure that people make for a variety of reasons, including unintended pregnancy, health risks, fetal anomalies, and personal circumstances. It is especially important to ensure this type of care is available due to the lack of support for families once a child is born. If the true issue was protecting a child, that fight would continue once they were earth-side, but it does not.

Deciding whether to continue a pregnancy is a medical choice between a patient and their clinician. Restricting access to care harms health outcomes which are already too low in regard to pregnant women, delays essential and life saving medical services such as ectopic pregnancies, and disproportionately affect those with fewer resources or greater healthcare barriers.

Most abortions (~92-93%) happen in the first trimester. A smaller share (~6%) of abortions occur between 14 and 20 weeks of pregnancy. Abortions at or after 21 weeks are rare, making up about 1% or less of all abortions in the United States.

Late-term abortions are extremely uncommon. When they do occur, they are almost always for serious medical reasons, including risks to the patient's health or life or severe fetal diagnoses.

Framing abortion as a medical service aligns policy with both science and health outcomes and is a people first approach. Restrictive laws often have unintended consequences.

Decisions about pregnancy and abortion are deeply personal and rooted in healthcare needs. Policy should reflect evidence and center the health, safety, and autonomy of patients.

Thank you for your time.



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I am a direct constituent of Chappell. Abortion is a crucial health care right. I myself have four living daughters. I have also had three miscarriages. I did not know I was pregnant until I miscarried with my first and third miscarriages. With the second miscarriage, I found out I was pregnant around 4 weeks. I was terrified of getting an abortion so I delayed getting one. But I couldn't have that baby. That baby would have been born into a horrific environment that I had no true means to get out of. Then I finally made an appointment. The day before that appointment, my partner at the time found out that I was pregnant. He beat me. He quite literally beat the baby out of me. And yes I did say baby. I believe life begins at conception. **HOWEVER**, it is not a viable life. The life of the pregnant person matters infinitely more. To me, it was a baby, but scientifically, it is a fetus. And it could not survive outside my womb. And it did not. I was only 7 weeks pregnant. I needed an abortion. But I was more scared of the false, socially construed moral implications of getting an abortion than I was of an abusive man. Science dictates one thing but politicians choose to ignore that and follow their own misogynistic, immoral agendas. With my third miscarriage (this took place 5 months before I got pregnant with my fourth daughter). I realized what was happening when it started. I took an at home pregnancy test (pregnancy hormones do not immediately go away when you start miscarrying. It can take days or weeks), and it was positive. I was too scared to go to the doctor because I was in fear of being accused of having an at home abortion. Thankfully I miscarried with no medical complications. But if there had been problems, I might have died and left three children without a mother. Abortion is health care. Abortion is the decision of the pregnant person. With both of my full terms pregnancies, I have had complications. I have had low iron, kidney stones, passing out, pain in my legs to the point where I could not walk, and difficulties in labor (including the baby being stuck in my pelvis). In my first full term pregnancy, I also had a placental abruption which was dangerous. From my second full term pregnancy, I have intense joint damage. And yet they were both considered low risk pregnancies. This should tell you something about the inherent, life altering risks that come with pregnancy and child birth. Children should not be forced to carry children. I have **FOUR DAUGHTERS**. They should not be forced to carry the baby of a rapist. They should not be forced to loose out on childhood because they made a teenage decision to have sex. They should not be forced to take on a responsibility they are not ready for because protection failed them. Two of my miscarried pregnancies were a result of IPV (Intimate Partner Violence) and rape. One of my daughters was a result of that as well. One of my daughters was a sexual abuse victim as an infant. 47.9% of CSA survivors experience sexual assault later in their lifetime. Protect our children by allowing them to stay children and allowing children to only be born to people who are ready to have a child. Protect our children by making sure people are not forced to carry unhealthy or non viable pregnancies. People should not be forced to endanger their own life for the sake of another life. You cannot force something to donate an organ or even blood - not even once they are dead can you take these things without consent. Someone could be dying in the

next room, in need of a heart transplant, and you still cannot take the heart of a corpse without prior consent or consent from family. So therefore, it should not be legal to force a person to donate their entire body to another life. Keep abortion safe. Keep abortion legal.



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I am a woman. I am not a subhuman criminal, or undeserving of basic rights. My life is more important than a cluster of cells. Republican politicians will never be allowed in my body or my bedroom. And it is now my mission to ensure that every woman knows how the State is attempting to violate their rights, again. I will start with my opposition of HB 2688 and go from there. Thanks, enjoy your day full of freedom and autonomy.



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A majority of Missourians passed Amendment 3, overturning Missouri's abortion ban. This vote returned a private medical decision to women, their families and their doctors.

A total ban and criminalization of abortion threatens the lives of women with ectopic pregnancies, miscarriages and other pregnancy-related complications for which surgery is required. Likewise, a total ban on abortion and criminalization of private medical procedures is counter-productive to women's and children's health and well-being. Please vote against HB2688. Thank you.



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A majority of Missourians passed Amendment 3 to overturn the U.S. Supreme Court's and the Missouri State Legislature's abortion restrictions. Please do not overturn the will of the people.

Surgery for Eptopic pregnancies, miscarriages and other pregnancy-related medical emergencies are NOT elective but are necessary medical care to protect the life of the mother. Criminalizing abortion is not the best - and certainly not the fairest - way to prevent abortion.



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A majority of Missourians passed Amendment 3, overturning Missouri's abortion ban. This returned abortion access to Missourians.

Eptopic pregnancies, miscarriages and other pregnancy-related complications require surgical abortions to protect the mother's life and to terminate non-viable pregnancies. Abortion bans not only overturn the will of Missourians but endanger women's lives. Please vote no on HB2688.



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A majority of Missourians passed Amendment 3, returning private medical decisions and abortion care to women and their families and doctors. Yet once again, Missouri politicians are trying to usurp the will of the people.

Ectopic pregnancies, miscarriages and other pregnancy-related emergencies require legal abortion care. Criminalizing abortion puts women's lives in danger.



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As a woman who is a mother, grandmother, aunt, cousin, and friend to other women of childbearing age, I am strongly in opposition to this bill. Missourians have already voted to keep abortions safe and legal for those who need it. Such decisions should only be between a physician and the woman. Abortion restrictions do not reduce the number of abortions provided but are are linked to higher birth rates in restricted areas and increased health risks due to travel and barriers to care.



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Missouri voters already decided on this matter when they voted to make access to abortion and reproductive health care a constitutional right. This bill seems to not only undermine the will of the people, but it goes against scientific and sound medical advice and care. Case in point a friend of mine tried for years to have a child. She had several miscarriages. Then she carried her very wanted and loved child for several months before receiving the devastating news: the child in her womb was dying. If she did not get an abortion she risked being unable to carry another child ever again (at the least) or her own death (at the worst). She wanted to have this child, but she made the difficult decision to abort. A few months later she conceived another child and carried her to full term. Both mother and daughter are happy and healthy. Two lives saved because of abortion access because it is healthcare. Necessary healthcare!



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Missourians voted to remove politicians and government officials OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

This Billi is designed to make abortion illegal and unavailable in all cases.



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Chairman and Committee Members,

I urge you to vote no on HB 2688.

This bill was not written by doctors or medical professionals who understand the complexities of pregnancy care. It was crafted by anti-abortion lobbyists as part of a coordinated strategy to stigmatize abortion care and ultimately make it illegal and inaccessible, regardless of circumstances. That's not healthcare policy. That is ideology masquerading as legislation.

I'm particularly concerned about the criminal penalties in this bill. These threats don't just affect one group of people: they endanger all pregnant Missourians by creating an environment where doctors second-guess themselves and delay critical, time-sensitive care. No matter where any of us stand on the nuances of abortion, I believe we can all agree that Missourians shouldn't face prosecution for their private medical decisions during what may already be the most difficult moments of their lives.

Let's be clear about what Missouri voters said: we voted to establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom in our state constitution. We told politicians in Jefferson City, in no uncertain terms, to get out of our exam rooms and stay out of deeply personal medical decisions that belong between patients and their doctors. HB 2688 is a direct rejection of that mandate.

The people of Missouri have spoken. We legalized abortion. Politicians who refuse to listen to that clear directive shouldn't be surprised when they're held accountable at the ballot box this November.

I urge you to respect the will of Missouri voters and vote no on HB 2688.



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This is a huge step backwards for women's rights. I vehemently oppose this bill.



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Women have the right to control their bodies. This bill is about punishing women, the republican party has proven with their other policies that they have little concern for children.



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Stop trying to control women. Just stop it! It's not your business!

We must have the right to control our own bodies. Let us do it! If you're against abortion, don't have one!



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Criminalizing abortion opens the door for further harassment and questioning when someone experiences any kind of pregnancy loss. Grieving that loss should not come with a criminal investigation. Additionally, someone's medical care and decisions are not the business of anyone outside of that person and their medical team. I'm disappointed to see this coming up again after MO voters already voted against this and voted for the protection of reproductive rights.



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Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care. Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making.

Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

Missourians just demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November.



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Hello, I am submitting a testimony to oppose HB 2688. I am opposed to this bill for the following reasons:

1. Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making.
2. Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government out of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to legalize abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

It is a waste of time and resources for us to discuss a measure that voters have already decided on. Please, listen to your constituents and honor their right to access abortion care.

Best regards,

Cristen Mathews



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I oppose HB 2688 because it attempts to extend Fifth and Fourteenth Amendment protections to an unborn child at every stage of development, creating serious legal ambiguity and likely conflict with established federal constitutional law. The bill's sweeping language invites costly litigation and risks unintended consequences for reproductive and maternal health care, including lawful medical treatment and fertility care, by placing providers and patients in legally uncertain territory. By redefining constitutional personhood in statute without clear limits or safeguards, HB 2688 undermines existing legal frameworks and threatens to inject instability into multiple areas of law beyond its stated intent. For these reasons, HB 2688 is overly broad, legally unsound, and should be rejected.



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Please stop your war on women. Doctors did not create this bill. Women need body autonomy. Abortions happen----sometimes naturally as the body rejects a pregnancy, sometimes via the choice of a woman in consultation with her doctor, and sometimes for reasons that are her own. You are trying to criminalize something that should not be punished.



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We voted on this matter and our choice won

You have no right to ignore our decision. We have spoken and you work for us. It's the law.



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I am a resident of Chesterfield in St. Louis County. I am a retired lawyer. I wish to express my strong opposition to HB2688. My understand that the proposed law threatens to criminalize the actions of people involved in the abortion process. The bill is designed to bar a majority of abortions in the state. In my opinion, the legislation, if adopted, would violate the Reproductive Rights Amendment passed by the voters in 2024. Missouri legislators need to respect the will of the voters.



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To deny women the right to an abortion is to deny them rights as citizens, under any circumstance or situation. If Rep. Chappell feels so strongly about unborn children being carried to term, perhaps he should engage his time with a charity or volunteer work. This bill would only encourage women to not seek medical attention for pregnancy, or to travel out of Missouri for it. Completely ineffective at the theoretical goal of protecting unborn children while reducing the public trust in the Missouri government, as well as economic harm to the local healthcare industry.



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I oppose this bill because abortion rights allow women to make decisions about their lives and health. Even though abortion is legal in Missouri right now, it is difficult to obtain and we should not be making it more difficult. I am a Missouri citizen and my body belongs to me first. My organs are mine and I get to decide who gets to use them. Making abortion illegal results in women being imprisoned, or more dangerous abortions. If you truly want to reduce the number of abortions, advocate for free access to birth control and more prosecution for rape and incest cases.



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I am a constituent from St. Louis and I oppose this bill! These types of bills, created by anti-abortion lobbyists, NOT medical experts, were designed to stigmatize/other abortion care as part of a larger anti-abortion strategy to make abortion illegal and unavailable in all cases. These bills about a MEDICAL procedure do not have any medical backing! This is an infringement of women's rights and is blatantly discriminatory. Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care. Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making. As a reminder, we (constituents!) have already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom. Missourians just demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November.



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When a woman finds out she's losing her baby (the saddest, most painful day in a woman's life) the last thing she should have to be worrying about is that she'll be thrown in jail by Republicans for a miscarriage! We have to care for the Mother's life and if a doctor tells you it's dead, you do what a Doctor tells you - that is healthcare for women!!! Old men should NOT GET TO SAY WHEN THEY HAVE NEVER EXPERIENCED PREGNANCY - you should only be asking a woman's opinion!! It's sad we have to revisit this AGAIN AND AGAIN



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This bill opens the door to criminalizing miscarriage no matter the intent of the sponsor. It could open a CPS investigation into any woman who experiences pregnancy loss. Having experienced 7 miscarriages, under this bill, could I have been held liable for continuing to try to carry a child to term, knowing the risk of loss was very high? I hope not because my 27 year old son was born after the 4th miscarriage. Also, from a grammatical standpoint, dependent clause "who are born or naturalized" modifies "person" for purposes of citizenship; the persons are not citizens until they are born here. This bill, therefore, extends the constitutional protections to non-citizens, OR his argument of a subset of a Venn diagram falls.



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The people have spoken, dammit! Stop trying to undo the will of the people!



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Missourians have already spoken in favor of allowing abortions to be performed in the state. The legislature should not be attempting to override the will of the people.



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I want politicians to keep thier hands off of things they are not qualified for.
I object to a group of people deciding when an embryo, who is wholly dependent on the mother for life, recieves constitutional rights.. It has no rights until it takes its first breath and the cord is cut.
I want the people of Missouri to have the right to decide for themselves regarding reproduction and birth.

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Missouri voters voted that abortion should be an a constitutional right. Legislators should honor the choices made by their constituents. I've also had close relationships with two women who have found it necessary to obtain abortions. I think all women should have that freedom of choice.



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I strongly oppose HB 2688, which would further criminalize abortion care in Missouri and strip patients and doctors of basic medical autonomy. This bill does nothing to improve health or safety—it only deepens harm, fear, and government overreach.



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I oppose this bill. It's just another attempt at circumventing the legal rights to abortion that Missouri voters supported last year. Shame on you!



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This bill does not align with the opinion of a majority of Missourians who vote in favor of a constitutional amendment protecting a woman's right to reproductive freedom, including abortion. Personally, I am a parent through adoption. I am grateful that my son's birth mother had a choice with her pregnancy and who she placed her child with. I am a grandmother because my daughter in law was able to use a prescription to terminate an unviable pregnancy and had quick access to a surgical abortion which saved her life as well as saved her fertility. My precious granddaughter is now 3. My greatest concern is for women in her situation now - and worse if this bill is passed. If our state criminalizes women's health care, physicians will leave this state. Young families will choose to build their lives and families elsewhere. This state will be viewed as something out of a handmaid's tale.



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I am a mother because my son's birth mother chose to place him for adoption rather than any other choice. I am grateful. No laws mandated her choice.

I am a grandmother because my daughter in law was able to terminate an unviable pregnancy using a prescription, it was a decision between her and her physician. Later, she had an ectopic pregnancy terminated quickly which saved her fertility. Again, this decision was between her and her doctor- no "committee" needed to decide if or when the pregnancy could be terminated. Because abortion was legal, her fertility was saved and we have a wonderful 3 year old.

Since the Dobbs decision and all the trap laws in Missouri, families who are trying to have a family may lose their chance due to lack of freedom to medical care. Women should always have a right to decide what's best for their bodies.



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**This is absolutely disgusting for our state representatives to go around the will of the voters AGAIN.
This was already voted on by the Missouri voters! Abortions are necessary medical care for women!
The government does not have a right to tell me what to do with my own body!**



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WITNESS NAME: DIANA CRAIN		PHONE NUMBER:	
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HB 2688 appears to be insufficiently developed and raises serious unresolved legal questions. Granting legal protections to a very early-stage fetus creates substantial ambiguity and invites extensive litigation. For example, if a fetus is granted legal status, does that status trigger eligibility for child support, government benefits, or the issuance of a Social Security number? In the event of pregnancy loss, would parents be entitled to a death certificate or survivor benefits? The bill does not address these consequences, leaving courts, families, and medical providers without clear guidance.

More broadly, the bill fails to explain how fetal rights would be reconciled with the established constitutional rights of the pregnant person. Without clear definitions and limits, this legislation risks elevating the legal status of a fetus in ways that conflict with, or diminish, the rights of an existing American citizen.

Personal beliefs about pregnancy and reproduction vary widely. In a free society, the government should not impose one set of personal or moral beliefs on everyone through criminal law. Public policy should instead prioritize individual liberty, bodily autonomy, and the health and safety of Missouri citizens.

I oppose this bill because it represents an overreach of government power into deeply personal medical decisions that should remain between an individual, their family, and their healthcare provider. Laws such as HB 2688 fail to account for the complexity of real-life medical situations and instead impose rigid mandates that risk causing harm.

For these reasons, I urge you to vote NO on HB 2688.

Respectfully submitted,
 Diana Crain
 Lifelong Missouri Resident and Voter



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We passed a constitutional amendment protecting our right to make decisions about our own bodies. The government has no business interfering in this most personal decision. Pregnant people are not chattel. Stay out of this until viability, and at that point defer to the doctors.



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Please Respect Missouri Voters in our current law allowing abortion up to 24 weeks.



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WITNESS NAME: DIANE MEEKER		PHONE NUMBER: 573-234-0342	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN--MISSOURI; NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN--COLUMBIA AREA		TITLE: PRESIDENT	
ADDRESS: 203 BREWER DRIVE			
CITY: COLUMBIA		STATE: MO	ZIP: 65203
EMAIL: columbiamonow@yahoo.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/27/2026 1:19 PM	
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This bill was composed by anti-abortion activists and is based in propoganda, not medical science. It does nothing to protect women and serves only to villianize those who seek abortions in order to ultimately ban all abortions even when medically necessary. We oppose this bill and urge the committee to vote no.



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I am firmly opposed to HB 2688. Missouri citizens don't need and don't want personal health decisions to be criminalized. We've proven that at the polls.



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I am pro-choice in all cases! We don't restrict what men can do with their bodies therefore we shouldn't restrict what any other gender does with their body!! Stop wasting taxpayer time and money continuing to overturn what the voters of MO approved - we aren't ignorant!!



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Because of non medical people making sweeping medical decisions for women instead of those decisions made between a doctor and their patient, women and children are dying at a rate higher then some third world countries.



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REPRESENTING: PLANNED PARENTHOOD GREAT RIVERS ACTION		TITLE: LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR
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Planned Parenthood Great Rivers Action strongly opposes HB 2688. This bill would extend constitutional freedoms to embryos and fetuses, a radical and dangerous move that is out of step with medical science, legal precedent, and the values of Missourians. Redefining personhood in this way would not protect families — it would upend Missouri law and undermine the rights of pregnant people, restrict access to reproductive health care, and control Missourians’ ability to build families on their own terms.

This bill would invite government interference into medical care, family planning, miscarriage management, fertility treatment, and emergency pregnancy care, placing politicians between patients and their doctors, and forcing providers to practice medicine under threat of punishment rather than guided by evidence and compassion.

Personhood language like this has already caused chaos elsewhere. In Alabama, similar laws forced IVF clinics to halt services entirely. If enacted in Missouri, HB 2688 could severely restrict or eliminate access to IVF by limiting how embryos can be created, stored, or handled — making it harder, more expensive, and sometimes impossible for families to build the families they want.

Granting constitutional rights to embryos and fetuses also opens the door to criminalizing Missourians based on pregnancy outcomes. Across the country, similar laws have led to investigations and prosecutions of people who experienced miscarriages, stillbirths, or pregnancy complications. Instead of compassion and care, this bill would create surveillance, fear, and punishment for Missourians during one of the most vulnerable moments in their lives.

The harm will fall hardest on our most vulnerable communities that already face barriers to care, particularly Black, Brown, and Indigenous Missourians, worsening existing inequities in maternal health and access to services.

Missourians deserve laws rooted in science, dignity, and freedom, not policies that strip living people of their autonomy and safety. HB 2688 is extreme, reckless, and harmful. We urge this committee to reject it.



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WITNESS NAME: DR ROBERT BRANNIGAN		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR REPRODUCTIVE MEDICINE		TITLE: PRESIDENT, ASRM	
ADDRESS:			
CITY: WASHINGTON, DC		STATE: DC	ZIP: 20003
EMAIL: publicaffairs@asrm.org	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/27/2026 8:57 AM	
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Dear Chair Jones, Vice Chair Peters, Ranking Member Proudie and Members of the Committee,

On behalf of the American Society of Reproductive Medicine (ASRM), I write to express strong opposition to HB 2688, which would enshrine medically inaccurate and dangerous language into Missouri statute and could have a chilling effect on reproductive healthcare in the state.

ASRM is a multidisciplinary organization of nearly 8,000 professionals dedicated to the advancement of the art, science, and practice of reproductive medicine. Distinguished members of ASRM include obstetricians and gynecologists, urologists, reproductive endocrinologists, embryologists, mental health professionals and others.

HB 2688 would criminalize providers and Missouri families for offering abortion care in the state, and leave others who are even tangentially involved in offering aid at risk of civil action. Missouri already has abortion restrictions in place; adding further penalties could force Missouri patients to leave the state for critical healthcare, and lead to a further exodus of expert medical care from the state, as physicians, medical students, and staff seek to live and work in states without government interference in healthcare, leading to a dearth of life-saving maternal, neonatal, and reproductive healthcare.

Crucially, by defining a human being as beginning at conception, HB 2688 could affect patients' access to IVF and other family-building care. Missourians struggling to build their families could face heartbreaking repercussions similar to what happened when Alabama inadvertently, and disastrously, banned IVF.

Passing HB 2688 would have an immediate, dangerous impact on pregnant people, their families, and all reproductive medicine providers in Missouri. In allowing the government to intervene in the sacred relationship between a patient and physician, HB 2688 would only make access to critical reproductive care more difficult and, indeed, dangerous. For these and other reasons, I strongly urge you to vote no.

For more information, feel free to contact me or Sean Tipton, Chief Advocacy and Policy officer at Stipton@asrm.org or 202-421-5112.

Sincerely,
 Robert Brannigan, MD
 President

American Society for Reproductive Medicine



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WITNESS NAME: DR. JENNY PENNYCOOK		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am an OB/GYN physician who previously served the patients of rural Missouri. Despite Missouri being the only home I have ever known, I have left the state in part because of ongoing efforts such as this bill. Giving embryos personhood rights, as this bill does, will worsen the maternal mortality and access to care crisis Missouri is already in. It is not sustainable to do the work of 2-3 doctors, while also worrying about the civil or criminal liability you may face, in just providing the care. Young OB/GYNs are avoiding the states that criminalize care. And experienced ones like myself aren't able to keep going. This also risks eliminating access to IVF care completely, which many Missourians already have hours of driving to access. Please oppose this poorly thought bill.



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WITNESS NAME: DR. JOANN FRANKLIN		PHONE NUMBER:
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I had an ectopic pregnancy and know how life threatening it was for me. I wanted my baby but it was not viable in my tube and not my womb. I was bleeding internally. That healthcare safes my life so I could still mother my other three children. I oppose abortion bands!!



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WITNESS NAME: DYLAN FAWCETT		PHONE NUMBER:
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HB 2688 - I oppose this bill. Missourians already voted to kick politicians and the government out of their personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of the constituents of this state voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish their own Rights to Reproductive Freedom in 2025. No one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy-decision making. Missourians just demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November.



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I STRONGLY oppose this bill. U.S. Constitution law has consistently rejected the idea that embryos or fetuses are “persons” under the 14th Amendment. Conception based personhood would create un-administrable legal obligations, including criminal liability for miscarriage or natural embryonic loss. Would these “persons” be tax deductible and be eligible for other government benefits? There is no medical consensus on when an embryo becomes a human. Personhood depends on function and capacity, not genetics alone. (American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Ethics Guidance). The belief that life begins at conception is a religious belief. It is NOT supported by the majority of Missourians and I object to someone forcing their religious beliefs on others. This idea should be dismissed without further effort using taxpayer time and money.



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Keeping abortion safe and legal will save the lives of Missourians. We have voted to keep abortion legal and want to believe that democracy still continues to live in Missouri. Listen to us, your constituents, say that we want safe and legal healthcare, and that we vehemently oppose the state government having a say in our personal medical care. Public office is meant to serve the people, please hear our voices say we want to live in the 21st century medically and legally. We deserve safe healthcare without fear of legal repercussions due to the moral qualms of people who may never have to face such harrowing circumstances. Please, save and protect the lives and liberty of the people you were elected to serve.



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The government should not make decisions about our healthcare! Missouri has already spoken loud and clear! Stay out of our doctor's offices!



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Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical, LIVE-SAVING care. Missourians already voted and agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making. We already voted to keep politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.



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As a woman who does not ever want to have children of her own, I believe that this bill would be detrimental to not only my quality of life, but my mental health and would interfere with me being able to complete the tasks that are required for my occupation. I know that if I became pregnant and had to give birth, I would not be able to cope with that fundamental destruction of myself.

As someone who knows people who have been forced to give birth, their qualities of life have drastically decreased, and some have even chosen to end their lives. If you want more people willing to give birth, you need to give the options to not give birth.



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We have already voted on this issue. You don't have any right to negate the votes of the people to allow abortion. That is a private, difficult decision between patients and their doctors. Legislators have no business whatsoever in that decision.



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Banning abortion would take away life saving operations and continue to suppress women and women's health. A governing body should not dictate what an individual does with their body.



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I oppose this bill. Missourians already voted to kick politicians and the government out of their personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of the constituents of this state voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish their own Rights to Reproductive Freedom in 2025. No matter their nuanced opinions and feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy-decision making.



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I believe women should have bodily autonomy.



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WITNESS NAME: ELLA MAY CUMMINGS		PHONE NUMBER:	
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These types of bills, created by anti-abortion lobbyists, NOT medical experts, were designed to stigmatize/other abortion care as part of a larger anti-abortion strategy to make abortion illegal and unavailable in all cases.

Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care.

Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making.

Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

Missourians just demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November.

We already voted on this issue and won. Your ignoring the will of the people has been noted and we will. Ole accordingly



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These bills are not created by medical experts stigmatize abortion and reproductive health care and result in harsh criminal penalties and significant delays/denials of care in all pregnant people. We, the people of Missouri, have already voted in favor of codifying the right to abortion and reproductive health care in our Constitution, and we want government out of our healthcare decisions.



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Members of the committee,

This testimony is being submitted in opposition to HB 2688. Using the state government to impose religious beliefs on the people of Missouri through laws like this is reprehensible. If your deeply held beliefs prevent you from getting an abortion, **DON'T GET ONE**. Stop using unborn fetuses as a way to control people's bodies and to police an entire group of people. The medically verified procedure of abortion is important for many people whose pregnancies cannot come to term without harming the parent or the fetus. People have a right to healthcare like abortion.

Stop using your power to harm people! Vote no on this bill.



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I find it pathetic that Missouri legislators waste so much time and money attempting to overturn the voice of their constituents. We voted. We are rallying support every day. We will vote again in November, and you will be looking for new jobs.



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My name is Emily Stoinski, and I am a registered Missouri voter. I am writing today in opposition to HB 2688. There are many reasons that I could share as to why this bill is extremely harmful, but I want to focus on the potentially deathly territory this bill supports. This bill, giving unborn children, to use your words, gives personhood to developing cells; this becomes a problem when the livelihood of the parent is at stake. This puts doctors and other healthcare providers into a bind as they then would be forced to not give potentially lifesaving care to a pregnant person in distress, due to this law stating that the development has the exact same rights. This will lead to unnecessary maternal deaths at a time when we are a state who has extremely high rates of maternal deaths. I urge members of this committee, including ones who may have deeply held beliefs in this area, to see this for what it is- a bill that puts many at risks.



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I strongly oppose this. Every woman in the state should have access to reproductive care. We have already voted on this.



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This bill is not based on science or medical best practices, and will only harm Missourians. To recognize embryos and fetuses as legal entities would make IVF impossible and deny Missourians pathways to making families. Missourians should have the right to build their families with dignity and respect, and without government interference.



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I strongly oppose this bill. The voters of this state wanted legal abortion rights. Do NOT criminalize it!



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Missouri voters have confidently voted over 50% on the ballot in 2024 to legalize and protect abortions. It's a dereliction of duty and disrespect to our democracy for representatives to overturn the will of Missouri voters by passing laws that go against what we the people voted for.



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This bill has clearly been written by lobbyists with an ideology, not by medical experts who have the best interests and safety of the patient in mind. In Nov. 2024, Missourians made a choice to legalize abortion until the point of fetal viability. That is the current law in Missouri. It is a commonsense approach that puts the person and their obstetrician in control of these important decisions. Doctors know the facts about OB/GYN safety and care. Politicians should stay out!



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Vote NO on HB2688.

As a person who had a spontaneous miscarriage at 12 weeks and saw the fetus, I can personally testify that a fetus is NOT a person.



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I am extremely opposed to this legislation, and I am even more disappointed to see yet another attempt from the state legislature to silence the voices of the people. We clearly voted, in a ballot initiative, to protect the right to abortion in this state. This law is against the will of the people of Missouri. Women deserve the right to make their own healthcare decisions. A bill like this would make access to healthcare much more dangerous for women, and would open the door to further criminalization of women's bodies. How many women have to die for people to realize that you cannot legislate your way through these kinds of decisions? There is absolutely nothing in this bill that even mentions ectopic pregnancies. This bill has had zero actual thought put into it, and would seriously endanger the many women who suffer miscarriages, ectopic pregnancies, and more. I ask the that Missouri legislature respect the results of the ballot initiative and leave these kinds of decisions to women and their doctors.



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Missouri citizens have already spoken on this by passing Amendment 3! The majority want legal abortion in Missouri. Quit trying to undermine the will of the voters!



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Missourians just demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November.



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I strongly oppose this bill and all parts of it.



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Life begins at birth, not conception. Every woman deserves the right to manage her life and have access to abortion. Forcing a woman to birth a child she does not want will limit her life choices, no college, less job opportunities, more poverty. The man involved can just walk away, no consequences.



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As a domestic violence service provider, I have seen time and again how abortion access is not only needed, but vital to saving lives. So many individuals in abusive situations are forced to carry their abusers child as a form of control. By criminally charging these people, it not only irreparably changes their lives moving forward, but is another form of abuse against them. I am against HB2688 because I believe that all pregnant persons deserve the right to bodily autonomy and should not be charged criminally for that right.



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I am in opposition to HB 2688 as it will negatively impact women's health in all forms.



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Masquerading abolishing a crucial family planning and women's health right as a protection of rights for the unborn is a callous and oppressive means of tricking the public into consenting to their rights being taken away. Abortion access is a critical family planning right that every woman and their family should be able to engage with at their own discretion. "Protecting" unborn children - and let me be clear that is a farce - will put women and their unborn children in significantly increased harm of pregnancy complications, maternal death, miscarriage, and death and harm caused by unavoidable abortion care sought in unsanctioned and unsafe ways. This is a slap in the face to women and all Americans whose rights are under attack through these seedy and insidious channels.



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Vote NO on HB 2688 !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Our rights are NOT up for debate! HANDS OFF OUR BODIES!!!

This has already been voted on., Leave it be and move on!!!!!!



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We have voted on and passed a law for aborting care, two years ago. We still cannot access that care. And now a man wants to outlaw and CRIMINALIZE that care?? This is ludicrous!



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Abortion must be a health issue--not a political one!



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A family member's life was saved by a needed abortion. If you want to be pro life, support paid parental leave, make sure everyone has healthcare, make childcare affordable, make sure nobody goes hungry, and make sure housing is affordable. But allow us all to make our own healthcare decisions.



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I am an 80 year old mother of six adult children and 16 grandchildren. My husband of 56 years and I adopted two of our children while serving in the US Army in South Korea. Women need adequate health care. Do not pass this bill which will ultimately to more damage to women and children than allowing women to have autonomy over their own bodies.



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Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care. Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making. Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom. Get your moralizing, anti-woman rhetoric out of people's personal lives. If you really cared about women and children you would support generous maternity leave, healthcare, public education, good paying jobs, childcare, and safety nets for families!



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Abortion is healthcare. Men, like Chappell, need to stay out of our uterus. It was voted on in Missouri and passed. Let the will of the people continue!



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Abortion restrictions do not eliminate abortions—they eliminate safe abortions. History and global evidence consistently show that when abortion is banned or heavily restricted, people still seek it, but with far greater risk of injury, infertility, or death. Policies that claim to value life should not knowingly increase preventable harm.



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I stand in opposition to this bill



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This bill was written by a legislator who is using his own beliefs that are being used to the detriment of individuals and healthcare providers. It uses scare tactics trying to make sure that endanger lives. Reproductive health is between the woman and her healthcare provider, and in emergencies should not be endangering women by making them harder for treatment. Please do not forward this bill out of committee. It is a slap in the face to your constituents.



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The will of the people of Missouri was evident when Amendment 3 was passed. Your personal opinion might differ. But you were not elected to substitute your judgment for the will of the people. It is preposterous that you think that is how the legislative body is supposed to work. Why do you think your opinion matters more than any other citizen? The Missouri legislature has done everything it can, including lying and misstating the law, to keep the will of the people from being implemented. Shame on you!



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I stand in opposition to HB 2688. There are too many deadly exceptions for the mother. My daughter had an ectopic pregnancy. Her doctor immediately sent her to the ER. She was treated with medication and care. Her life was saved. I worry that my 3 granddaughters will also face discrimination in healthcare in their futures. I feel HB 2688 will result in deaths of women. Women deserve the freedom to make decisions for themselves.



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The people passed a state constitutional amendment protecting abortion rights under certain circumstances. This bill is in deference to the will of MO voters when a majority of voters passed Amendment 3 November 5, 2024.

State legislators need to cease trying to silence the voices of Missourians due to their own political allegiances and stop writing deceptive propositions in order to deceive voters into voting against their own interests.



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Missouri has a very high mortality rate for pregnant women. Please consider and support women's health. Women, in consultation with their physician, should make decisions that impact their own bodies. Legislators and politicians should mind their own business.



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I strongly oppose this bill. Vote NO. This to protect us!



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U.S. Constitution law has consistently rejected the idea that embryos or fetuses are “persons” under the 14th Amendment. Conception based personhood would create un-administrable legal obligations, including criminal liability for miscarriage or natural embryonic loss
? Unique DNA is not sufficient for personhood. Tumors and cells also have unique DNA. Personhood depends on function and capacity, not genetics alone. (American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Ethics Guidance)
? There is no medical consensus on when an embryo becomes a human. The belief that life begins at conception is a religious belief that is not supported by the majority of Missourians



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Missouri voters have already spoken on this issue **THREE** times now. First when we got enough signatures to put the right to abortion care in the MO Constitution. Second when that amendment was approved by voters in 2024. Third when we again got enough petition signatures to put it on the ballot **AGAIN** in 2026. It will soon be a **FOURTH** time when the voters once again approve guaranteeing the right to abortion care in the MO constitution at the ballot box in November. The Republican party keeps ignoring the will of the MO voters and we are sick and tired of it. We already have one of the worst maternal/fetal health outcomes in the country and abortion bans just make that worse. As a nurse, I absolutely cannot support any abortion ban of any kind. Trying to make it criminal is just being an asshole.



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This is my story. The purpose of my story is to give personal experience and a face someone who has had an abortion. I am not writing this for sympathy. I want people to realize that these situations can happen to anyone. I want people to understand why it is healthcare and why it should be a woman's choice, not her state's government. If you wish to unfriend me, go ahead. I promise.... I will not lose any sleep over you.

In early 2006, I started dating this guy I met online. I really liked him, and he seemed great. A couple of months into dating, I moved in with him. Yes, it was not the smartest thing, but I was a young, a single mom, and I really thought he loved me and my daughter. Once we were in his house, that all changed. He began not to allow me to see my family. He would be upset if I did not come straight home after school or work. He would occasionally would watch Luci for me while I worked. I started to notice she was uneasy around him. He apparently made her do push-ups and other physical punishment if she misbehaved. She was 3 years old. I got the courage to leave him. I moved back home with my daughter. Then, my period did not show. I was a couple of days late. I took a test and freaked out. I was pregnant. I was terrified to tell him because he always said he did not want kids.

I mustered up the nerve and told him, and the first thing he said was schedule an appointment, and he would pay half for an abortion. He wanted nothing to do with a kid. I weighed the options back and forth. If I stayed pregnant, I would have to postpone school. If I stayed pregnant, this man would be in my life forever, and who knows what would happen since he did not want kids. If I stayed pregnant, what quality of life would I give to my daughter, who was a living, breathing child and only had me to care for her?

I made the appointment. The Hope clinic in Granite City was compassionate and kind. I had to go through multiple interviews beforehand to make sure I was not being forced to do this. They had to do an ultrasound sound and determined that I was only 5 weeks pregnant. They were actually shocked that I figured it out so quickly. Most women are further along when they find out. I was given a pill to terminate the pregnancy and was sent home. A couple of hours of sitting at home, I cramped and then began to bleed. It was over.

Did I make a mistake by getting pregnant? Yes. I was on birth control and apparently missed a day. I AM HUMAN. Do I regret my decision? ABSOLUTELY NOT. I don't spend my days with the what-ifs? I moved forward. Graduated school. I got a good job. I had 2 more daughters.

I am the mother of 3 daughters and a stepmother to 1 daughter. They no longer have the same rights I had. It scares me because this is just the tip of the iceberg. I have never hid my story from my girls. They know my truth and understand my choice. Body autonomy should be a basic human right no matter what state you live in. Not every woman in this country can afford to pack up and go to another state to have what should be the right to choose and access to healthcare.

This is the first time I have shared my truth with many people all at once. I am not alone. I promise

you know other women who have their own story, but they are ashamed or scared to tell it because society likes to judge and shame if they don't agree. Nearly one in four women in the United States (23.7%) will have an abortion by age 45. Abortion is healthcare. My body and my choice. If you made it to the end of this, thank you for listening. Listen to the will of the people. They already voted.



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I oppose HB2688, as it seeks to extend 5th and 14th amendment rights to embryos and fetuses. This bill, and bills like it, do not take science and medicine into consideration, and also do not take into consideration the life of the person carrying the fetus/embryo.

Also, the people of Missouri have voted on this issue -- abortion -- multiple times. We've said we want abortion to remain legal and therefore safe as a medical procedure (which it is). There are times when it is medically necessary as a life-saving measure -- sometimes biologically, sometimes mentally, sometimes spiritually. And unless any of us are the person carrying the fetus, we won't be in the position to know whether that's truly the case.

For these reasons, and more, I am opposed to HB 2688. Thank you for your time.



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I do not support the regulation of female bodies.



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I am writing to express my opposition to HB2688.

This bill represents an inappropriate expansion of government power into deeply personal medical decisions that should remain between a woman and her doctor. Legislating access to reproductive healthcare—especially in emergency or medically complex situations—risks serious harm by substituting political judgment for medical expertise.

Many women face unpredictable and life-threatening pregnancy complications, including nonviable pregnancies and medical emergencies where timely care is critical. Laws that restrict physicians' ability to act decisively in these moments do not protect life—they endanger it. Medical professionals must be allowed to use their training and judgment without fear of legal consequences.

Regardless of one's personal beliefs, the government should not interfere in private healthcare decisions or place women's lives at risk through overly broad or inflexible legislation. I urge you to reconsider this bill and its real-world consequences for Missouri families.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Dr. Jennifer Ono



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I am opposed to this bill.



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In 1976, I was in college and found out I was pregnant, despite having an IUD. I was terrified. My boyfriend and my mom discussed our options and decided the best course for me was a safe and legal abortion. Although it was upsetting, the 3 of us went to Planned Parenthood(I was 8 weeks along). For many years I would think about the potential baby, but I knew that we made the right decision together. It is important that we keep safe and legal abortions available as the people of Missouri have voted for. We can not criminalize abortion care.



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Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom. My 23-yr. old daughter is refusing to return to Missouri after college graduation due to YOU making anyone with a uterus and of child-bearing age at risk of getting their health care not being guaranteed, whatever personal choices they make.



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It has been proven again and again, that having a legislative body causes far too much interference in doctors' ability to adequately helping their patients. Often, blocking women from abortion threatens their very lives and/or destroys their chances at carrying out a successful pregnancy. Until you can guarantee medical care, food, and shelter for these children you are forcing women to carry, you are proving you are not pro-life instead you are pro-birth. You do nothing to ensure the health and well-being of children once they are brought into the world. Stop trying to control women.



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**Missouri voters overwhelmingly passed Amendment 3 last year, and you are spitting in our faces.
Respect the voters!**



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Missouri voters have decided to protect the right and access to abortion services - it is your job to represent this will of the people.



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Women have the right to determine what occurs to their own bodies, and this includes the full term of a pregnancy. You absolutely may not force a woman to bring to term a pregnancy she does not wish, because she is not the property of the state. Government may not interfere with or punish women who seek to exercise the absolute and fundamental right of all humans to control their reproduction and the accompanying, irrevocable commitment of her life's trajectory.

The denial of this right constitutes a physical form of slavery by placing that person's body in service to state interests, and more specifically the interest of religious fanatics who feel that government should enforce the mandate of Genesis that she Be Fruitful and Multiply. Government may not assume the role of Earthly enforcer of God's supposed prescription for women. Legislators are not His spokesmen, and women are not their property or instruments for creating God's Kingdom on Earth. Women are human beings with human rights to chart their own lives, including the right to give birth only when and if they choose.



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I was 17 when Roe v Wade passed. I remember the back room abortions , women throwing them selves down stairs, the dirty knitting needles. I never dreamed we would be fighting this battle 50 years later. My best friend got pregnant at 16. Her parents took her to kansas for an abortion. She married the father our senior year. They had 2 beautiful children and are still together. I got pregnant my senior year. I chose to have my baby. And that's my whole point. Abortion should be a choice. It is not an issue that should be regulated by government.



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A fetus does not have more rights than the woman bearing that fetus. The health and welfare of that woman is and should be the prior consideration. We must acknowledge that women may be impregnated against their wishes. Furthermore, a woman's health (both physical and mental) takes precedence over that of a fetus until an advanced stage of development (beyond 6 months) of the fetus. Even beyond that date, a woman's doctor should decide whether the fetus threatens the life of that woman.



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We the People have spoken. Not just once, but multiple times We have made it clear that We want no interference in Our healthcare decisions. We voted clearly to remove the abortion ban. And yet here is HB 2688 (Chappell). This bill serves only as a sneak attack on abortion rights that so many of Us voted for. And does little – indeed nothing – to make this state a safer place to live and grow both a family and a business.

Furthermore, as We voted to amend the State Constitution to repeal the ban on abortion, this bill would be counter to that. Thus, this bill would be unconstitutional.

You work for Us, not the other way around. Twice now so far, We have traveled from near and far to your offices to deliver a message. Close to a thousand of Us filled all three levels of the Capitol Rotunda on a cold day just a few days ago on January 21st. This past September, there was even more of Us there demanding that We will not be ignored or disrespected. If you continue to ignore Us, you will simply be removed from office and replaced with someone who will do the job properly.



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I oppose this bill which would void the vote of the people to give reproductive choice back to women. It would criminalize women who undergo an abortion and subject women who experience miscarriages to legal scrutiny. We voted to restore the right to make our own health care choices.



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Attempting to give personhood protections to an embryo/fetus amounts to christian- and male-dominated control of reproduction. As such, it defies bodily autonomy and medical privacy, and basically tries to skew and even oppose constitutional tenets (state/church separation, for one). Remember your oath of office!



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I oppose the outlawing and criminalization of basic reproductive healthcare.



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Abortion is a decision which should be made by the individual not a government agency or legislation. It is a deeply personal decision. It should not be punishable. Education would be key here for the man and the woman to prevent unwanted birth. Keep government out.



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I believe reproductive health decisions, including the termination of pregnancy, should be between the patient and doctor and that the will of the Missouri voters to support reproductive health choice should be honored.



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The Conservative party and it's talking point of less restrictive government should not push their religious or personal beliefs on women and families making the difficult choice of family planning. In utero children are, by a scientific consensus, not persons and no legal bill, removing the bodily autonomy of a women's choice for something that has no conscious is blatantly wrong. Missourians voted by majority and passed a constitutional amendment to allow access to abortions. The Conservative majority has stomped on the peoples decisions and instilled the reasoning of legislators, who claim they act on their constituents behalf. This a clear violation of the Missouri constitution and the rights of Missouri citizens. A dead body should not have more bodily autonomy than a living, breathing woman. Having children myself, a law should not be structured to force a fetus to term, to be born against the wishes of the woman or family. I am also concerned that allowing fetal personhood opens the doors for litigation against women who have miscarriages, as we've seen in other States already.



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I've read the language of this bill and it asserts that the legislature demands that parents must have a care for a pregnancy that they may or may not want. Additionally, this build does not consider the real life of most people who are in this desperate situation. In fact, this bill seems to go further than any other before it and it seems to also be the kind of invasive large statewide government that many Missourians disagree with and also distrust. This is already in shrine in our constitution and by putting forward these initiatives, you threaten and undermine the value of the vote and the electoral process. Missouri's deserve a choice and I certainly don't agree with you uncaring and De attached people in Jeff city to make a healthcare choice for a mom. You'll never meet. You'll never talk to you. You'll never support her and you're never gonna give her a hand up.



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I woman's body belongs to her not to the state in which she lives. What you are proposing is a form of slavery for women. I cannot support HB 2688 because it is against my Christian beliefs that a person's body can be owned by the state of Missouri. May God forgive you.



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These are personal, PRIVATE medical decisions that should be between doctors and patients, not elected officials. Look at medical journals and facts, not opinions disguised as facts.



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My initial vote should have been upheld to keep abortion legal, and leave women's rights alone. This should be a choice of the individual woman and between her and her doctor.



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I oppose this legislation for multiple reasons, primary among them:

--U.S. Constitution law has consistently rejected the idea that embryos or fetuses are "persons" under the 14th Amendment. Conception-based personhood would create un-administrable legal obligations, including criminal liability for miscarriage or natural embryonic loss. This would essentially make every pregnancy a potential legal liability for a woman.

--Furthermore, unique DNA is not sufficient for personhood. Tumors and cells also have unique DNA. Personhood depends on function and capacity, not genetics alone. (American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Ethics Guidance)



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This bill is based on the wishes and wants of out of touch politicians-- NOT medical experts. it is designed to stigmatize abortion care, creating, criminal penalties to threaten pregnant people and doctors who might need to provide it--even in critical cases. The majority of Missourians have already voted that no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making. Furthermore, with that same vote, elected to remove politicians and government from personal, private, medical decision-making when it comes to their reproductive decisions. You are responsible for enacting what the majority of our state citizens voted for. Do so.



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I am opposition of this bill.



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I am entering m opposition to this bill because defining personhood at conception could create legal risks for common medical procedures, including IVF (In Vitro Fertilization) and emergency miscarriage care, by treating embryos as legal persons. There are many examples from both Missouri and other states where women's lives were put at risk and some even died because they were denied life saving care. There have been examples of women with ectopic pregnancies (as in the pregnancy is completely non-viable) where they were denied care until their lives were critically endangered. I can understand the position of someone opposing elective abortions. I cannot understand opposing potentially life saving care where the pregnancy is non-viable or where continuing it will place the mother's life at extreme risk. Medical care decision should be made by the mother and medical professionals.



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We, the voters of the state of Missouri, have already gave our opinion on this bill. In November of 2024, Missouri voters showed up and made their voices be heard. With well over 50% of the vote, Amendment 3 was passed to end the abortion ban in Missouri. I remember feeling so hopeful that we were making steps in the right direction. I remember feeling like my voice mattered and made a difference in our state and community. But now seeing that the government can just choose to overthrow what we want is not okay. Never did I imagine having to fight and vote multiple times for the same issues just became our government officials thought they did not have to listen to the will of the people. An abortion ban does not help safe more lives. Indeed it puts more lives at risk. Abortion access is healthcare for so many. As a nonbinary member of our society, I can personally attest to the mental, physical, and emotional load you take on if you have to consider having a baby that you do not want. Being nonbinary I do not feel like a female, so the mental load and shift it would cause me to have to go through that process is more than I ever want to have to face. I am lucky in the fact that I had healthcare last year and was able to get an IUD placed to help with this. I know not everyone has the same access and options that I did. There have been times in my life, both by choice and force, where I found myself taking the morning after pill. Many in our nation still refer to this as an abortion pill. Had I not had access to this pill or it failed, I would have been having to make some tough decisions. I was in one way or place to have a baby in any of these instances. Two of the three times, I was sexually assaulted. Men chose to harm me even with me saying no. They chose to not listen to my voice and my wishes because they said I would like it or it would be good just wait and see. This is not the mentality I want representing my voice in government. I do not want for people to hear what I say and think they know better or can make a better decision about what I want than I can. My voice matters and our government needs to hear and see that we do not all have to agree on all the issues, but taking rights and decisions from the voters is not fair. This bill does not force anyone into having an abortion. If you do not believe in it or do not want one, simply do not get one. But there is no need to deny access to people who need this.



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I am opposed to HB2688 which would criminalize all abortion care, making it illegal in all cases. This stance is not based on the advice of medical professionals but rather driven by lobbyists and anti-abortion proponents wanting to stigmatize all abortion care. Criminalization would negatively affect all pregnant folks, lead to delays and denial of critical care. Our legal system should stay out of people's pregnancy decisions. Missourians already spoke that they want lawmakers to stay out of their medical decisions regarding abortion, with the majority already having voted to keep abortion legal in our state. Please respect our vote.



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I already voted to keep abortion legal in Missouri. Stop this now.



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Abortion is health care. Access to health care is a human right. A clump of cells does not make a person. Do not bestow rights to a clump of cells. The voters registered their beliefs in November '24. The MO Legislature should REPRESENT us, not RULE us.



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A woman should have the right to choose what is best for her own body and that of her unborn child. Health care providers, ob/gyn doctors, NOT politicians, are the experts that should help a woman decide what is best for her. I OPPOSE this bill.



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this is an abhorrent bill that would threaten the lives of women who live in the state of missouri. protect us, don't kill us



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These types of bills, created by anti-abortion lobbyists, NOT medical experts, were designed to stigmatize/other abortion care as part of a larger anti- abortion strategy to make abortion illegal and unavailable in all cases.

Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care.

Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making.

Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

Missourians just demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November.



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I oppose the proposed legislation as it is in direct opposition to the rights of women as citizens who have autonomy over their own bodies. This legislation would give priority rights over a fetus than the woman carrying it which is absurd. Not to mention it furthers ideals held by a religion in our state when there should be separation of church and state.



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I oppose this bill because abortion bans are dangerous, unjust, and fundamentally disconnected from how real people live and survive. Abortion bans do not stop abortions. They stop safe abortions. History and global evidence show that when abortion is banned, people still seek it, only now women are forced into unsafe medical conditions, delayed care, or desperate measures that put their lives at risk. These laws don't protect life; they endanger it.

Bans also strip doctors of their ability to practice evidence-based medicine. Physicians are forced to wait until a patient is actively dying before intervening, because the law values fetal status over medical judgment. This has already led to preventable infections, infertility, and death.

Abortion bans disproportionately harm people who are poor, young, disabled, or living in abusive situations. Wealthy people will always find care. Everyone else is left to suffer. That is not morality, it is inequality enforced by law.

If lawmakers insist that a fetus is a legal person from conception, then they must be prepared to follow that claim to its logical conclusions. A fetus counted as a person should be counted everywhere the law counts people: it should qualify as a dependent for tax deductions, it should be counted in the census, pregnant women should be able to claim child support from conception, life insurance policies should be payable upon miscarriage, and Missouri should bear financial responsibility for prenatal care as it does for any other citizen. But you all won't do that, will you? You only want personhood when it can be used to control women, not when it requires social, legal, or financial responsibility. That contradiction exposes the truth: you are not protecting life; you are enforcing obedience.

Next, you'll say the Bible doesn't allow abortion and that an unborn fetus is sacred. Let's see what the Bible has to say about that. The Bible does not explicitly state that a fetus is a legal person equivalent to a born human. The Bible does not explicitly mention abortion.

Genesis 2:7: Defines life as beginning when God breathes the "breath of life" into Adam, suggesting a distinction between a fetus and a living soul.

Exodus 21:22–25: Discusses penalties for causing a woman to miscarry, which often imply a lesser penalty (a fine) for the loss of a fetus compared to the penalty for taking a life.

Numbers 5:11–31 (The Trial of Bitter Water): A ritual described in the Old Testament where a priest causes a woman to miscarry if she has been unfaithful.

The voters, the women, of Missouri don't want an abortion ban. We want you to listen to us and we already voted on this in 2024. Now you're trying some tricky bullshit with the new ballot measure in 2026? Give me a fucking break. Our state motto is salus populi suprema lex esto, you know?



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Missouri already voted in favor of increased access to abortion and reproductive care. Please respect your constituents' wishes and do not strip away our rights.



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Women's bodies are off limits. We decide our healthcare. Missourians already voted on this. Enough is enough. Do something worthwhile. I can't imagine how good our state could be if republicans didn't waste so much time ignoring the will of the voters. You should be ashamed. — Signed a very pissed off Catholic who is sick of people shoving my religion down others throats. Freedom of religion



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? U.S. Constitution law has consistently rejected the idea that embryos or fetuses are "persons" under the 14th Amendment
? Conception based personhood would create un-administrable legal obligations, including criminal liability for miscarriage or natural embryonic loss
? Pluralistic society avoids enforcing one moral or religious belief through law; it contradicts science, medicine, and constitutional rights
? An unborn child being identified as a "person" is not consistent with all religious beliefs of US citizens. Judaism and Islam, among others, do not recognize personhood at conception. This can cause concerns for religious freedom provisions and the First Amendment



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The author Philip Roth wrote Our Gang in 1973. In it, President Trick E. Dixon lobbied for a constitutional amendment giving the unborn the right to vote in order to secure a new & favorable voting bloc. It was total SATIRE, easily recognized as such by the public. 53 years later, you seem to be taking the attempt seriously.



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I am speaking as a PhD social psychologist. We study prejudice and I will tell you that "pro-life" is pure misogyny. It is built on the view that women do not matter! It is the same vein as witch-burning and killing jews who would not convert. "I will save their soul even if I have to kill their body." There is no brain in a fertilized egg. A heart beat is present when someone is brain-dead. Pro-life is a lie masquerading as benevolence. Americans don't force other Americans to follow their religious convictions, however heartfelt. I have known several women who HAD to have abortions and I do not question any of their choices. Please do not succumb to the cult of religions that suggest that women don't matter - god gave women the privilege, the right, the responsibility, and the judgment to decide. "Unborn children" are simply the possibility of a childhood IF/unless and until everything works.... and there are 9 long months to create/foster life. Even then, life is not guaranteed. It's not yours to decide. It's women! It's their bodies - their choice.



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Do not incite public unrest by passing this terribly inefficient legislation. People deserve better. Humans deserve more and better than this, and it sincerely is an example of production value not hitting the high points. We all deserve better than this and I believe you know better than this. Abortions save lives. Help people with family planning. Honestly why do we have legislation being written by anyone who so obviously doesn't understand basic human law and rights. Our species will never advance if this is the sort of direction we go. Passing this sort of law and regulation is not only counterproductive, it is inciteful to the people of the USA. "Don't be sorry, just be better" applies here. Thank you for your time, Kathryn



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U.S. Constitution law has consistently rejected the idea that embryos or fetuses are “persons” under the 14th Amendment. Conception based personhood would create un-administrable legal obligations, including criminal liability for miscarriage or natural embryonic loss

Unique DNA is not sufficient for personhood. Tumors and cells also have unique DNA. Personhood depends on function and capacity, not genetics alone. (American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Ethics Guidance)

There is no medical consensus on when an embryo becomes a human. The belief that life begins at conception is a religious belief that is not supported by the majority of Missourians



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I find it absolutely ridiculous that We the People of MO just voted in support for abortion rights as they are healthcare rights!

Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care.

Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making.

Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

Missourians just demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November. As someone who has been pregnant and has a child I can tell you with absolute certainty that I would not do it again in these conditions. It's too unsafe and puts too much risk on my life as a mother.

Please keep your politics and religious opinions out of my healthcare!



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On behalf of the League of Women Voters of Missouri,

the League OPPOSES HB1667 and HB2294 for the following reasons:

*U.S. Constitution law has consistently rejected the idea that embryos or fetuses are "persons" under the 14th Amendment.

*Unique DNA is not sufficient for personhood. Tumors and cells also have unique DNA. Personhood depends on function and capacity, not genetics alone. (American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Ethics Guidance.)

*There is no medical consensus on when an embryo becomes a human. The belief that life begins at conception is a religious belief that is not supported by the majority of Missourians.

Please consider these facts to oppose HB2688.

Thank you,

Kay Park, President

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We already voted on this on this with amendment 3. The will of the people of Missouri is to have legal abortion. Stop this nonsense.



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I am a Missouri citizen writing in opposition to HB 2688.
This bill would cause serious harm to women and girls in Missouri by granting full constitutional rights to a fetus without clarifying how those rights interact with the established constitutional rights of pregnant people. By doing so, HB 2688 creates dangerous legal ambiguity that places women at risk of criminalization for pregnancy outcomes that are often beyond their control, including miscarriage, stillbirth, and complications related to medical conditions.
HB 2688 could deter women from seeking necessary medical care out of fear that doctors or prosecutors may scrutinize their decisions during pregnancy. Medical professionals may be forced to delay or deny life-saving treatment, unsure whether prioritizing a patient’s health could be interpreted as violating the constitutional rights newly assigned to a fetus. This undermines the physician-patient relationship and interferes with evidence-based medical care.
Additionally, applying the 5th and 14th Amendments to an unborn child at any stage of development raises serious constitutional conflicts. These amendments were written to protect born persons, and extending them in this way invites legal chaos, potentially affecting access to fertility treatments, contraception, and standard obstetric care. The bill offers no guidance on how courts should resolve conflicts between a pregnant person’s rights and those newly asserted for a fetus, leaving women’s autonomy and bodily integrity legally vulnerable.
Missouri families deserve policies that support healthy pregnancies, safe childbirth, and access to comprehensive healthcare, not legislation that punishes women, increases medical risk, and invites government intrusion into deeply personal decisions.
For these reasons, I urge lawmakers to oppose HB 2688 and instead focus on policies that genuinely protect the health, dignity, and rights of Missouri women and families.



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This HB may seem as a protective move for pro-life activism; however, it will impact pregnant persons in only negative, unsafe ways. A Fetus does not have a fully formed frontal lobe or any other scientific markers of a human so it doesn't logically meet the threshold for inalienable rights afforded by the constitution. Please place science and safety for pregnant persons above religious platitudes. Let's use the power of the committee to truly invest in children and families by expanding early childhood funding and resources.



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WITNESS NAME: KENYA GUMBS		PHONE NUMBER:
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Please refocus your energy on feeding and housing people that have already been born; and stop imposing your personal beliefs on other peoples bodies. It is enraging that we need to continue to re-litigate an issue that the majority of Missourians have spoken on. **MOVE ON TO SOMETHING ELSE.** You are just pissing people off. The majority is not with you and we will never stop fighting you. Can we please focus on improving EVERYONEs lives on issues we agree on?



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WITNESS NAME: KEVIN KIRKPATRICK		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am so tired of this. It is 2026. Our representatives need to stop trampling on the rights of women, and stop undercutting will of the people.



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WITNESS NAME: KIEARA LONNING		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: KIM MENNEMEIER		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care. Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making.



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These types of bills, created by anti-abortion lobbyists, NOT medical experts, were designed to stigmatize/other abortion care as part of a larger anti-abortion strategy to make abortion illegal and unavailable in all cases.



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WITNESS NAME: KIMBERLY LYNN SCHODLATZ		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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I am in opposition to this bill. It compromises women's health care and Missouri voters have rejected this total ban in the past.



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WITNESS NAME: KIMBERLY SMITH		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am in opposition of HB 2688 as it does not protect children or families.



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WITNESS NAME: KIMBERLY TAYLOR		PHONE NUMBER:
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Women's Healthcare is between a woman & her doctor. Stay out of our uterus!!



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WITNESS NAME: KIMBERLY WALLIS		PHONE NUMBER:
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Embryos and fetuses aren't people yet. Instead, let's invest in making children and adults healthy.

I myself am looking into IVF to start a family. Thill bill would threaten that.



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Missourians already voted to keep abortion legal. I'm truly dismayed and angry at politicians who put their own personal beliefs above those of their voters. You will be voted out in the next election.

Criminal penalties and "waiting periods" prevent people from receiving life-saving medical care.



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WITNESS NAME: KORTNIE HUDDLESTON		PHONE NUMBER:
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I stand in firm opposition to HB 2688, a dangerous bill that represents a fundamental assault on bodily autonomy, medical science, and the constitutional rights of pregnant people.

This legislation, by granting full constitutional personhood from the moment of conception, is not a simple anti-abortion measure. It is an extremist legal framework designed to outlaw abortion entirely, without exception for rape, incest, or threats to the health of the pregnant person. It would also criminalize in-vitro fertilization (IVF), by potentially defining embryos outside the womb as legal persons, and could outlaw common forms of contraception.

From a progressive standpoint, this bill is a direct attack on gender equality, disproportionately harming low-income people and communities of color who already face systemic barriers to healthcare. It seeks to enforce state-controlled pregnancy, stripping individuals of their right to make intimate, complex moral and medical decisions about their own bodies and futures.

Furthermore, the bill flagrantly disregards the Establishment Clause by codifying one specific religious viewpoint into civil law, violating the separation of church and state.

The Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments protect *persons*, and for over a century of legal precedent, that term has not applied to the unborn. This bill is a radical attempt to rewrite our constitution and legal system to enforce a political ideology, with catastrophic consequences for reproductive healthcare, civil liberties, and the very principle of personal sovereignty. It must be rejected.



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WITNESS NAME: KRISANDRA KAY SMITH		PHONE NUMBER:
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To quote Ruth Bader Ginsburg, “The decision whether or not to bear a child is central to a woman’s life, to her well-being and dignity. It is a decision she must make for herself. When government controls that decision for her, she is being treated less than a fully adult human responsible for her own choices.” Men’s health care and health care decisions are not regulated in any state. They are free to seek sexual health care without questions. Why do you feel you need to control women and women’s bodies? The voters have already spoken and a constitutional amendment is in place to allow women to advocate for themselves about their sexual health care and seek abortion as one of their options. Please listen to your constituents, whom you profess to represent, instead of wasting time and taxpayer dollars in an attempt to change the laws of Missouri to reflect your personal values and beliefs.

As an obstetric nurse, I will support your decision to not terminate a pregnancy. I will also support your decision to terminate a pregnancy. I will provide you with empathic nursing care in both situations—even though nursing is no longer considered a profession. However, I do not feel you should force your personal position onto the lives of women. You cannot comprehend what personal situations and circumstances are causing women to seek to terminate a pregnancy. Nor should it even be any of your concern.

I thought as a country, we were making forward progress but since Roe v. Wade was repealed, it feels like we are sliding backwards down a slippery slope into the 1950’s.

After a miscarriage, women could be compelled to testify under oath or undergo medical exams to prove that pregnancy loss wasn’t a crime. Victims of rape will be forced to give birth. In states that offer exceptions to this law, those victims will be forced to “prove” their rape.

Pregnant women in domestic violence situations will have a significantly escalated threat on their lives. Nearly 20% of women experience violence during pregnancy.

The foster care system will be even more overwhelmed. This doesn’t mean “less abortion, more adoption”. This means more abuse, neglect, and misery.

Children will have babies.

Sick women will have babies.

Unviable babies will be born, only to suffer.

People who do not wish to have babies will have babies.

Or, like STATISTICS HAVE PROVEN, the rich will continue to access abortion and the poor will die on bathroom floors.

I am not pro-abortion.

What I AM is pro access to contraception, medical care, sex education, and choice.

What I AM is pro empathy for victims, children, and women who deserve to have agency over their bodies.

What I AM is pro reality, which says that abortions decrease when (& ONLY WHEN) access to care is increased.

I am a woman, a Christian, a mother, a nurse and one of the majority of Americans who believes that access to safe and legal abortion must stand.

Please put your representative efforts into creating a better world for all Missourians—affordable healthcare, affordable housing, increased minimum wage, education opportunities for all, affordable child care, no Medicaid cuts—especially for the elderly, and eliminating food insecurity as starting points.



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I deeply oppose this bill! Get out our bodies!



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BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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I oppose this bill.



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I voted for Amendment 3 in November 2024. You overturned my vote along with many other Missourians' votes in last year's legislative session.

Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.



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WITNESS NAME: KRISTIN T. HILL		PHONE NUMBER:
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OPPOSED, VERY MUCH**

Abortion care is **ONLY** between the pregnant person and the doctor(s) caring for them and pregnancy.

No one outside of that, especially corrupt and treasonous individuals who care **NOTHING** for other people, are allowed to have a say in any of the decisions for any of the cases.

EVERY SINGLE PREGNANCY is different and people who are not medical doctors and have never set foot in the realities of the world will not be making the decisions regarding the family planning, pregnancy or abortions of the citizens of Missouri.

Get your head out of orangey's diaper and you your job as dictated by the people you work for - the citizens of Missouri.



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WITNESS NAME: KRISTINA D. BENCH		PHONE NUMBER:
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I strongly believe in a woman's right to choose and her body autonomy and so do the majority of Missouri voters as demonstrated previously at the polls. HB 2688 is not based in science or best medical practices and will harm Missourians. Please, quit ignoring the will of your constituents. Thank you.



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A fetus isn't an individual person therefore the proposed bill is nonsense.



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There is no need to criminalize abortion healthcare. Please oppose this bill.



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The people of this great state already voted and told you, our elected officials, we want people to be able to choose for themselves. Listen to your constituents. The same people who elected you. If their vote counts to elect you, their vote counts for other ballot measures. Vote NO on HB2688 because that is what MO citizens want.



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WITNESS NAME: LAURA MARCUS MOUNTJOY		PHONE NUMBER:
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Dear Representatives,
Our U.S. Constitution law has consistently rejected the idea that embryos or fetuses are “persons” under the 14th Amendment. Conception based personhood would create un-administrable legal obligations, including criminal liability for miscarriage or natural embryonic loss

Unique DNA is not sufficient for personhood. Tumors and cells also have unique DNA. Personhood depends on function and capacity, not genetics alone. (American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Ethics Guidance)

There is no medical consensus on when an embryo becomes a human. The belief that life begins at conception is a religious belief that is not supported by the majority of Missourians



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Please respect the will of MO voters who already passed a constitutional amendment protecting access to abortion rights and reproductive healthcare. Trust pregnant people and doctors to make the choices that are safe and responsible for them!



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I am a women's health RN. Women have the right to choose, it has been legally won in this state. It is our right to make our own choices regarding our bodies, not to be limited politically. Our bodies and choices do not belong to the state, nor to be regulated by other people's decisions regarding health and personal issues.



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Abortion care should not be criminalized. Abortion care is healthcare and saves lives, families, and future pregnancies. Women are not free or equal unless they can make their own healthcare decisions. This should be a private matter between patients and doctors and can be a life or death matter for the woman. Politicians have no place forcing their religious beliefs on the women of Missouri. If you want to protect life then stop defunding services for children and families.



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Freedom is the cornerstone of American patriotism and greatness. All Americans must be given the freedom to make personal decisions about their health without interference and overreach from our government. I ask the committee to oppose this bill and uphold the will of the majority of Missouri voters who clearly support access to abortion and other critical reproductive healthcare.



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Making abortion illegal and criminalizing it will not stop abortions and will kill mothers and babies. We need abortion as an option for pregnancies gone awry. If abortion is illegal, doctors and patients won't know whether they will be charged with a crime for a miscarriage or for aborting a pregnancy that puts the mother's life in danger, such as an ectopic pregnancy. Making abortion illegal doesn't solve the problem. Birth control and sex education can reduce abortions.



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I am completely opposed to outlawing and criminalizing expulsion of an unborn fetus from a woman's reproductive system by medical personnel, due to unforeseen medical issues, miscarriage and for any other logical medically advised reason. Doctors and Medical Staff seek years of higher education in order to provide reproductive health care. How can a piece of legislation make an effective reproductive health care decision when each pregnancy is so very different? Remember? Missouri Voters have already spoken.



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The people of Missouri voted to protect this vital right for women. As a survivor of 2 ectopic pregnancies, I only lived because getting immediate treatment, an abortion (yes that IS the treatment for an ectopic pregnancy). Because I lived, I went on to adopt 2 children from MO foster care. This bill not only infringes on the rights now enshrined in the MO constitution, it also infringes on MO voters rights to have their votes matter and their voices be heard and respected. Additionally, shame on Rep Chappell for using the Chappell name which has become THE name associated with supporting the LGBTQIA community in MO and in Springfield specifically.



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I am writing to express my firm opposition to HB2688. Please vote no.



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WITNESS NAME: LILIANA TASLER		PHONE NUMBER:
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This bill is dangerous to the lives of pregnant mothers. If a pregnant mother experiences miscarriage or spontaneous abortion, she may be fearful to seek necessary medical care, and doctors may be fearful to provide it. Several women have died in states like Texas and Georgia after being denied appropriate miscarriage care due to laws like this. I believe this bill will kill women and destroy families. I will fear for my life if this bill is passed.



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WITNESS NAME: LINDA CHORICE		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I strongly opposed HB2688. Abortion is a decision between a woman, her doctor, the father (if he is even involved past insemination whether forced or consensual), and her God. The decision to abort is not one I ever had to make, fortunately, but it often involves the health of the woman. Abortion is women's healthcare.



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WITNESS NAME: LINDA WILLIAMS		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Personhood status for a fetus is absolutely ridiculous and would deny families the chance to have children through IVF procedures and deny women the choice for nonviable pregnancies. This is a dangerous idea and I urge you to kill this bill. Thank you.



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WITNESS NAME: LISA A COOPER		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Women in Missouri have the right to determine their own abortion care decisions with their doctors. Missouri voted to keep abortion legal. Respect Missouri voters whom you are in office to serve.



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WITNESS NAME: LISA BANGERT		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Hi, my name is Lisa Bangert and I am a resident of Missouri. I am writing again today because I am livid that our representatives are trying to take away our enshrined Right to Reproductive Health. I am demanding that you abide by the will of Missourians and oppose implementing any kind of abortion ban. I am appalled that you tried to silence our voices both from our ballots and from those that have continued to showed up to testify.

Abortion bans are very dangerous. The abortion ban in Texas has shown:

- Infant deaths in Texas rose by nearly 13% the year after the ban.
- The number of women in Texas who died while pregnant, during labor, or soon after childbirth rose by 56% following the 2021 abortion ban.
- Sepsis rates in women hospitalized for losing second-trimester pregnancies increased by 50% after the abortion ban took effect.

The people of Missouri have spoken, and we want abortion rights. We know EXACTLY what we voted for so do not insult our intelligence. This is becoming taxation without representation and I will not stand for it. It is your job to represent the people of Missouri, over 1.5 MILLION of us have made ourselves very clear, and you need to respect the state constitution.



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WITNESS NAME: LISA BUNCH ANDREWS		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am writing to express my opposition to HB2688. Lawmakers do not have the medical expertise and knowledge to make decisions for women's reproductive freedom. Healthcare should be a personal decision. Often abortion care is needed in cases of rape, incest or to save the life of the mother. This bill could endanger the life of mothers. It would have a devastating effect on IVF families. Healthcare should be between the patient and her medical team and not be decided our government.



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WITNESS NAME: LISA HUMMEL		PHONE NUMBER:
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The voters of Missouri have already spoken on this issue. I am one of the many people who voted "yes" on the original Amendment 3 to make abortion legal again in Missouri, and I worked hard to get other Missourians to vote yes on it as well. We won that vote. The majority of Missourians want government out of our personal medical and moral decisions. We want legislators out of our uteri. Legislators are not our doctors or our trusted spiritual advisors. Your job is to represent the people. That means you respect the will of the voters. If you don't like how the people voted, convince them they were wrong or move to an authoritarian country where you can force your will on others.



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WITNESS NAME: LISA SLATTERY		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I oppose HB 2688.



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I am old enough to remember when abortion was illegal everywhere. And yet women got abortions. Many died or were sterilized by botched abortions. If you are interested in saving lives, save those of women.



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WITNESS NAME: LORI ALLEN		PHONE NUMBER:	
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When women's rights change from state to state and the consequences for abortion are more severe than the consequences for rape and domestic violence, we have a problem. The government should NOT be involved in the most excruciating decision a woman must face with her medical care provider. We voted NOT to ban abortion. Listen to the people!



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MO voters have spoken-respect MO constituents		



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Medical care is between the patient and their physician, NOT government.



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The people of MO have spoken through their vote. Respect democracy.



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WITNESS NAME: LYDIA STEINKOETTER		PHONE NUMBER:
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Women should be able to make decisions about their own bodies. I'm sick and tired of men trying to make laws on a woman's body. If my uterus could shoot people you'd have no issues.



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The people of Missouri already voted to include in the Constitution the right to safe and legal abortion. Period. End of sentence. Why are we still talking about this?



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STOP trying to legislate women's bodies. You are for small government until you want the government to control a private decision between a woman, her family, and her medical doctor. Go live in Iran if you want to live under a theocracy.



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WITNESS NAME: MADISON VODICKA		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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We already voted on this and DESERVE the right to choose. Women demand the right to make decisions about their body. And if you won't give it to us, we'll do what we need to do in a more unsafe and inhumane way. Give us the care we need, stop encroaching on our rights.



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WITNESS NAME: MAELEE K WILLINGHAM		PHONE NUMBER:
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While this bill may be framed as a protection of human life, its legal and societal consequences are profoundly problematic and, if enacted, would undermine both established constitutional law and the rights and health of pregnant Missourians.

1. The U.S. Constitution does not currently recognize an “unborn child” as a constitutional person under the Fifth or Fourteenth Amendments.

The Supreme Court has historically declined to interpret the term “person” in those amendments to include fetuses or embryos. In *Roe v. Wade*, the Court explicitly stated that “person,” as used in the Fourteenth Amendment, does not include the unborn — a determination that was central to that decision’s legal reasoning.

2. Recognizing constitutional rights for the unborn would create unavoidable conflicts with established legal principles and individual rights.

Legal scholars have pointed out that elevating an unborn fetus to the status of a constitutional “person” creates irreconcilable conflicts between the rights of the pregnant woman and the rights ascribed to the fetus. Protecting constitutional rights of one at the expense of the other could fundamentally undermine existing protections for bodily autonomy and equal protection under the law.

3. HB 2688 undermines the will of Missouri voters and recent legal developments.

Missouri voters in 2024 approved Amendment 3, which enshrined the right to reproductive freedom — including abortion, contraception, miscarriage care, and related health care decisions — into the state constitution. In response, the Legislature is pursuing measures to reverse or restrict those rights through constitutional amendments and bills like HB 2688. Attempting to upend a voter-approved constitutional framework through judicial reinterpretation or legislative fiat is inconsistent with democratic principles.

4. The bill’s language could have extreme, unintended legal consequences.

Certifying constitutional personhood for unborn children could extend Fifth and Fourteenth Amendment protections in ways that apply beyond abortion, including criminal penalties for pregnancy loss, miscarriage management, IVF, contraception and other aspects of reproductive health care. These are not speculative concerns — similar fetal personhood laws in other states have already resulted in expanded criminal liability for pregnant people and profound limitations on reproductive medicine.

5. Constitutional interpretation must respect both individual liberty and equal protection.

The Supreme Court has long held that constitutional rights must be balanced and that legal structures cannot be redefined in ways that strip fundamental liberties from persons who are already recognized as constitutional actors. Expanding the constitutional definition of “person” in this context would be a significant departure from centuries of legal and constitutional jurisprudence and risks destabilizing the protections afforded to all citizens.

For these reasons, HB 2688 is not a prudent or legally sound approach to public policy in Missouri. It would redefine fundamental constitutional concepts without sufficient constitutional basis, risk rollback of rights protected by Missouri’s constitution, and create far-reaching legal and health consequences for pregnant people and families.

I urge lawmakers to reject HB 2688 and instead work collaboratively on policies that improve maternal and infant health, expand access to prenatal and postnatal care, and support families without jeopardizing established constitutional and civil rights.

Finally, if none of the constitutional, legal, medical, or policy concerns outlined above are sufficient, lawmakers must reckon with the democratic implications of this bill. Missouri voters directly and explicitly affirmed reproductive freedom through a statewide vote. Advancing HB 2688 would functionally nullify that exercise of direct democracy by re-litigating settled constitutional questions through legislative fiat rather than respecting the expressed will of the electorate. Overturning a voter-approved constitutional protection undermines public trust in democratic governance and sets a dangerous precedent for selectively disregarding outcomes that are politically inconvenient.

I urge legislators to also consider the human consequences of this decision—not in the abstract, but in the lives of their own families and communities. History and medical evidence show that when lawful reproductive health care is denied, people do not stop needing it; instead, they are pushed into unsafe, unregulated, and medically dangerous situations. The result is preventable injury, trauma, and death—outcomes that will disproportionately affect young people and future generations, including your daughters, nieces, granddaughters, and loved ones. Laws should not compel suffering or force families into medical crises that could have been safely prevented.



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If this bill passes, it will be just another example of the increasingly enraging pattern of MO politicians completely trampling on MO residents' democratic will.

These types of bills, created by anti-abortion lobbyists, NOT medical experts, were designed to stigmatize/other abortion care as part of a larger anti- abortion strategy to make abortion illegal and unavailable in all cases.

Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care.

Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making.

Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

Missourians just demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November.



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WITNESS NAME: MAGGIE EDMONDSON		PHONE NUMBER:
REPRESENTING: ABORTION ACTION MISSOURI		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY: ST. LOUIS	STATE: MO	ZIP: 63118
EMAIL: maggie@abortionactionmissouri.org	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/27/2026 7:27 PM
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Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal medical decision-making when a majority voted to legalize abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

This legislation is a tricky attempt to outlaw the majority of abortions as a part of the larger anti-abortion strategy to ultimately outlaw all abortions and make them impossible to access.

If the members of this committee were beholden to the votes of their district on abortion cast on the abortion ballot question in 2024, this committee would not have the votes to advance this anti-abortion legislation.



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This law is based on a particular set of religious beliefs, not on scientific evidence. It therefore violates the US First Amendment. It would also create legal cases that are unenforceable, including criminal liability for miscarriages. Unnecessary and unconstitutional.



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It's just plain silly. It's impossible to define when a fetus becomes a person legally.



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The unintended consequences of this misguided attempt to prevent women from obtaining vital health care are so far-ranging I cannot begin to describe them all. the most obvious is that it opens up physicians and women to legal challenges that will result, once again, in women's health put at risk. Please honor the Missouri voters who made it absolutely clear they want legislators to stay out of reproductive health care decisions.



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Planned Parenthood Great Plains Votes (PPGPV) opposes HB 2688, a bill that attempts to restrict or end access to abortion by recognizing a fetus as a legal entity with rights but is nothing but a politically driven attempt at stigmatizing access to life saving health care.

This bill would establish fetal “personhood,” a disingenuous tactic used by those who oppose comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care by elevating the rights of a fetus to be equivalent or superior to those of a pregnant person. Laws that grant fetal personhood can deter pregnant people from seeking care during a pregnancy loss and promote mistrust between patients and providers.¹ By establishing fetal “personhood,” anti-abortion lawmakers could make it easier for laws to be enacted that criminalize or restrict health care during pregnancy.

Fetal personhood bills inject politicians directly into the patient–provider relationship, disregarding providers’ training and professional judgment, and undermining their ability to determine and provide the best course of care for their patients. Providers are already licensed and regulated under rigorous standards of care, subject to professional oversight and discipline, and accountable under existing laws governing child abuse, medical neglect, and medical malpractice that apply to every clinician and every patient in Missouri.

If a fetus is a legal person, miscarriages, stillbirths, and pregnancy complications can trigger criminal investigations.² When someone is going through one of the most tragic moments of their lives, losing a baby that they wanted and loved, due to a medical complication in which they have no control over, to then be investigated for a crime, is unconscionable. Bills like this do not consider the nuances of pregnancy, maternal mortality, and completely ignore the dignity to grieve a traumatic loss in peace.

Moreover, HB 2688 is in direct opposition to what the majority of Missourian’s believe and voted for. In November 2024, over 1.5 million Missourians voted to ensure that the “right to reproductive freedom shall not be denied, interfered with, delayed, or otherwise restricted.” This bill likely would not stand up to constitutional muster under the Reproductive Freedom constitutional amendment passed by Missourians.

This bill lacks compassion for pregnant people, infringes on medical professional’s ability to provide the best care to their patients, and blatantly disregards an existing person’s dignity and right to reproductive health care. For these reasons, we firmly urge the Committee to hold HB 2688.

1. Usha Ranji, Dobbs-era Abortion Bans and Restrictions: Early Insights about Implications for Pregnancy Loss, KFF (2024); <https://www.kff.org/womens-health-policy/dobbs-era-abortion-bans-and-restrictions-early-insights-about-implications-for-pregnancy-loss/#:~:text=While%20all%20state%20bans%20have,risking%20criminalization%20for%20pregnancy%20loss>
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Fuck them kids bro. Worried about the wrong shit. If i dont want a kid im not going to have one. Safe or u safe abortion . Youre a male who has no say on my uterus. Byeeeee



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Why would you force women to have crotch goblins that they dont want!? So that the corrupt foster system can add another one lost in the system and abused from the many unfit foster parents that can have them !? Sick. You are worried about the wrong things!! FUCK THEM KIDS !!!



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If i dont want a crotch goblin then why would you make me or anyone try and raise one??! You think foster systems are all the rage or something!?? If so then youre sick and you really dont care about people or the health of children and well being. Makes no damn sense why you would want more messed up kids than there already is in this wicked world. Making women have babies they dont want . Giving them up isnt an answer either and youre worried about the wrong crap, babies and children get lost in the foster system and foster parents dont need any qualifications to adopt..... justice system is truly retarded an diabolical. If i decide to push out an ungrateful and lost soul then that should be **ONLY** my choice i chose to live with! We will all just have unsafe abortions !



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Chair and members of the committee,

I strongly oppose HB 2688.

In 2020, I was pregnant with my first child who was deeply wanted and loved. At 24 weeks of pregnancy, I was diagnosed with early onset preeclampsia with severe features, and my daughter was diagnosed with severe intrauterine growth restriction. She was measuring in the 1st percentile, three weeks behind, with an estimated weight of 14 ounces, the size of a 21-week baby. She was not viable.

This diagnosis was devastating. My health was rapidly deteriorating, and my daughter was too small to survive outside the womb. With a highly skilled medical team, my husband and I faced an unimaginable decision: if my condition became critical, we would provide our daughter with palliative care rather than invasive medical interventions that would only prolong suffering.

This decision was made out of love.

Doctors told us that even in the extremely unlikely event our daughter survived birth, her prognosis was catastrophic: she would never walk, talk, eat, breathe independently, or have any meaningful quality of life. What mattered most to us was that if our daughter only had minutes or an hour to live, she would spend that time being cuddled and loved by her parents, not undergoing painful procedures with no hope of recovery.

Because of this care plan, I was able to remain pregnant one additional week, time I desperately wanted to give my daughter. I would have done anything for her to live.

But my condition worsened. My placenta was failing. I developed heart failure, pneumonia, and sepsis. I was critically ill. There was no scenario in which I died and my daughter survived. At that point, the medical reality was stark: there would be either one or two deaths.

I did not want to end my pregnancy. I did not want to die. I had no choice.

Ending my pregnancy saved my life. It was emergency, life-saving medical care.

We lost our daughter, Juliette. We grieve her every single day.

HB 2688 would not have protected my child. It would have prevented my doctors from providing the care that saved my life. Laws like this do not account for the realities of pregnancy complications. They do not respect medical judgment. And they do not leave room for parents facing tragic, time-sensitive decisions made out of love.

Pregnancy can be dangerous, even deadly. Physicians must be able to act quickly and ethically to save lives. If HB 2688 had been law at the time of my pregnancy, both my daughter and I would be dead.

This bill does not protect families. It puts women at risk. I urge you to oppose HB 2688.



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I support every woman's right to make her own healthcare decisions about her own body, including whether to terminate an unwanted or in any way unhealthy pregnancy.



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U.S. Constitution law has consistently rejected the idea that embryos or fetuses are “persons” under the 14th Amendment.

Conception based personhood would create legal issues that would be impossible to administer, including criminal liability for miscarriage or natural embryonic loss.

The belief that life begins at conception is a religious belief that is not part of every religion. Missouri law should recognize the diversity of religious beliefs of the citizens.



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I do not understand why any of these bills are being presented. The state of Missouri have already voted on this issue. Why are Missouri lawmakers working to go against the will of the voters of Missouri? The state legislature does not belong in a health care decision between a woman and her healthcare



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Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care.

Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making.

Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

Missourians just demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November.



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These decisions should be between a woman and her doctor. MYOB



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There's no such this as "unborn children." By definition, all children have been born. Use a dictionary.

Look, the people of Missouri have made it clear we want abortion. Stop trying to undo the will of the voters! I will probably vote all Democrats in November and I don't even like Democrats, but I'm sick of Republicans thinking they can undermine the will of the people.



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I wholeheartedly oppose this ban. Women need care from their doctors not from legislatures who think they know what's best for a person's body, family and and future. Where will it end? They come for the women now, will they come for the men next and vasectomys? This goes against everything the voters voted on. Follow what your constituents wanted and oppose this bill.



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Abortion care is medical care. If you want to reduce it, the state should provide free birth control for everyone. They did it in Colorado..



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This bill endangers the lives of Missouri women, including mothers (and possibly grandmothers). It also forces women who do not want to be pregnant to stay pregnant. It's not the business of the State of Missouri to decide if women should or should not terminate an unwanted or dangerous pregnancy. You oppose "big government" until it comes to people's private lives in the bedroom. Leave us alone and mind your own business. Leave it up to women to decide what's best for their own lives. I've had to make this decision for myself and my family and it was nobody's decision except mine. Missouri voters approved access to safe and legal abortion in 2024 so listen to the will of the people. We're supposed to live in a democracy, so start respecting our choices.



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I strongly oppose HB 2688. You were elected to represent your constituents not your religious beliefs or special interest groups. With the passage of Amendment 3, Missourians made it clear that we support access to abortion and all reproductive health care. Our government should reflect these shared values not threaten them. The people of Missouri have spoken with a resounding yes on Amendment 3.

If passed, HB 2688 would outlaw and criminalize abortion care.

As a registered nurse I have cared for women who have made the heart breaking decision to end a pregnancy. These decisions were made at various gestational stages and for a multitude of reasons. What happens during pregnancy is complicated, personal, and should not be dictated by law. There is no circumstance in which a politician should decide if or when a pregnancy can be terminated. Additionally, politicians have no authority to determine when life begins. Decisions of reproductive healthcare are highly complex, personal, and lie strictly with the mother and her physician. In closing, I urge you not to pass this bill out of committee.



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Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care. Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making. We voted to legalize abortion in 2024 and want to keep it that way!



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I am a Missouri resident and I am opposed to HB 2688. These types of bills, created by anti-abortion lobbyists, NOT medical experts, were designed to stigmatize/other abortion care as part of a larger anti-abortion strategy to make abortion illegal and unavailable in all cases. Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care. Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making. Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

Missourians just demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November. I urge members of this committee to vote no on this bill.



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Missourians voted overwhelmingly to legalize abortion in our state. This is what the people want. Abortion is healthcare that should be strictly between a pregnant person and their doctor. Stop being deliberately obtuse and start listening to the people in your state.



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Politicians have no right to restrict reproductive choices that have been proven safe by science and medicine. Missouri has already voted for the right to choose, we shouldn't have to again.



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Missouri Citizens already voiced their choice. This bill disregards voters. I oppose this bill.



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I strongly oppose this. Women have a right to their own body and to be able make choices based on what they desire and what is best for them. This is something that should remain between a women and her physician.



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Women deserve total bodily autonomy. All persons should have access to healthcare without government interference. Personal choice is and should be a should be a fundamental guaranteed right



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This bill was not crafted by medical experts and as such, does nothing to protect maternal or fetal health and safety. A bill designed to make healthcare illegal will inevitably result in making pregnant people less healthy, disabled, or dead. Even more egregious is that this bill specifically targets women for medical discrimination during one of the most medically vulnerable times in their lives. It is shameful and it is violently sexist. Missourians already voted in favor of a constitutional amendment protecting women's rights and healthcare access, and to deny the will of voters and disregard the state constitution to further this hateful and dangerous legislation is barbaric.



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WITNESS NAME: MIA SEAGRAVES		PHONE NUMBER:
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You will not get more births by giving more constitutional rights to unborn fetuses than pregnant women and girls. You WILL get a higher infant and material mortality rate than you already have.



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WITNESS NAME: MICHAEL DREYER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I stand in firm opposition to HB 2688, a dangerous bill that represents a fundamental assault on bodily autonomy, medical science, and the constitutional rights of pregnant people.

This legislation, by granting full constitutional personhood from the moment of conception, is not a simple anti-abortion measure. It is an extremist legal framework designed to outlaw abortion entirely, without exception for rape, incest, or threats to the health of the pregnant person. It would also criminalize in-vitro fertilization (IVF), by potentially defining embryos outside the womb as legal persons, and could outlaw common forms of contraception.

This bill is a direct attack on gender equality, disproportionately harming low-income people and communities of color who already face systemic barriers to healthcare. It seeks to enforce state-controlled pregnancy, stripping individuals of their right to make intimate, complex moral and medical decisions about their own bodies and futures.

Furthermore, the bill flagrantly disregards the Establishment Clause by codifying one specific religious viewpoint into civil law, violating the separation of church and state.

The Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments protect *persons*, and for over a century of legal precedent, that term has not applied to the unborn. This bill is a radical attempt to rewrite our constitution and legal system to enforce a political ideology, with catastrophic consequences for reproductive healthcare, civil liberties, and the very principle of personal sovereignty. It must be rejected.



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These types of bills, created by anti-abortion lobbyists, NOT medical experts, were designed to stigmatize/other abortion care as part of a larger anti- abortion strategy to make abortion illegal and unavailable in all cases.

Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care.

Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making.

Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

Missourians just demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November.



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The people spoke whew votes on abortion rights. Our votes stand and should not be defeated or questioned by the government of this state



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Nowhere dos the Bible say life is at inception. NOWHERE! Quit playing God because you're not!!



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WITNESS NAME: MICHELLE FASSLER		PHONE NUMBER:
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I strongly oppose HB 2866 and any effort to further criminalize abortion in Missouri.

Missouri already has some of the most restrictive abortion laws in the nation, and this bill would only deepen the harm those policies have caused. HB 2866 does not improve health outcomes or support families—it uses the criminal legal system to punish Missourians for making deeply personal medical decisions and threatens healthcare providers for delivering necessary care.

Criminalizing abortion does not eliminate the need for abortion. It forces Missourians to travel out of state, delay care, or risk unsafe alternatives. Those with the fewest resources—low-income individuals, people of color, people with disabilities, survivors of violence, and people in rural communities—bear the greatest burden. In a state already struggling with maternal mortality, limited access to healthcare, and hospital closures in rural areas, this bill moves Missouri in the wrong direction.

HB 2866 also places doctors, nurses, and medical professionals at risk of prosecution for providing evidence-based care. When medical decisions are dictated by fear of criminal charges rather than patient needs, everyone’s health and safety are compromised. This will further drive providers out of Missouri, worsening our existing healthcare workforce shortages.

Missourians deserve policies that respect bodily autonomy, protect patient-provider relationships, and trust individuals to make decisions about their own lives. Abortion is healthcare, and healthcare should never be criminalized.

Instead of expanding punishment, Missouri lawmakers should focus on improving access to healthcare, addressing maternal and infant mortality, supporting families, and ensuring that all Missourians can make decisions about pregnancy with dignity, privacy, and compassion.

For these reasons, I urge lawmakers to reject HB 2866.

Reverend Michelle Fassler



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These difficult decisions should not be made by politicians. STAY OUT OF OUR doctors' offices & our personal lives.



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WITNESS NAME: MOLLY BROTHERTON		PHONE NUMBER:	
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How can you vote to give fetuses rights you would be taking away from actual people that can exist without relying on a host? If you pass this bill, you will be violating pregnant people's 14th amendment rights they already have. Why are you wasting money being sued, which the unelected AG will only use as a stepping stone to follow her predecessor to Washington to violate more Constitutional rights. Missouri already voted on abortion rights. Most Missourians want abortion to be legal and accessible. This should be a non-issue. Instead we're wasting time, money, and energy re-litigating, re-voting, and rephrasing ballot language every time the SoS gets slapped down and told he has to do it correctly. I'm sorry you lost, Darin, and your Republican allies, but you could stand to do a bit more of that in the future. This is oppressive, unconstitutional, and a clear authoritarian overreach by the so called party of small government.



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Missourians have already voted to establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom and LEGALIZE abortion. Politicians should not be attempting and end run around an electoral process because they don't agree with the results.

Bills like this are not created or written in consultation with medical professionals and do not reflect medical realities of healthcare, pregnancy or abortion. If the state is going to interfere, it should be from a medically informed perspective that reflects medical consensus.

Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care. Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making.



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This bill takes the question of abortion rights to the extreme. We have real criminals on our streets in the name of DHS doing harm to families and citizens. That's a real concern. Criminalizing women for making their own medical choices for their own bodies helps no one including the unborn child you seem to protect while ignoring the killing of innocent civilians. This is government overreach just like DHS.



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I voted FOR Amendment 3 in 2024! ENOUGH!

I strongly oppose criminalization of Healthcare! No Ifs, Ands or Buts!



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U r suppose to represent we the people! We voted to allow legal abortions last year! U must support this vote and not try to overturn something u. Personally, don't like!!!



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I know that pregnant women need abortions at times, medically necessary or for other reasons. This bill is cruel. Stop grandstanding and look to ways to reduce unwanted pregnancies.



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I am against HB 2688 as its purpose is to end access to abortion. A fetus is not a legal entity any more than a laid egg is a chicken. Priorities should focus on governance and care of the people, including children, not the concept of a child. Its easy to care about the unborn. Way more complicated and messy when people are involved. Advocate for your constituents instead of trying to control pregnant peoples' bodies.



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I am opposed to this bill. Granting constitutional rights to embryos is just another way to enact an abortion ban. It puts legal constraints on mothers and doctors when confronted with a pregnancy that will either endanger the mother or force unnecessary suffering on a fetus with a genetic anomaly that is incompatible with life. Politicians need to stop interfering with families and their reproductive decisions. These are issues that should be left to families and their doctors.



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Missourians have already voted to keep the government out of a women’s personal and private medical decisions through our vote to legalize abortion. And we established a right to a woman’s reproductive freedom.

A bill such as this, that is not created by medical experts but rather anti-abortion lobbyists, will only stigmatize necessary abortion care as part of a larger anti-abortion strategy to make it illegal and unavailable no matter the specifics of any case.

We’ve already voted to keep abortion legal and anyone voting for this law, will be voting against the will of the people of our state.



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Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom. Missourians just demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November 2026!



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WITNESS NAME: NAOMI STILLWELL		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I am a science teacher, and I have given birth to one child. I had to choose to go to a doctor in Kansas because, at the time Missouri, the state I live in, had Republicans decide for the whole state and it's citizens, to outlaw abortion care. I love my child, and I would like to have two more, but I also would like to know my doctors have the full ability to discuss my medical care with me instead of with lawyers. I then voted, like a majority of my fellow citizens, to make it so abortion care was a medical decision available here in my state. Now, you are attempting to make a fetus have more rights to use my body than I have. I cannot force my mother or my father to donate their organs even if I might die without them. I cannot force my father for his blood, even if I was bleeding out in front of him. He would choose to donate, but he still has to consent to the donation. If I am able to have my dream of two more children, I will still go to whichever state that has the option of abortion because my living child will need a mother before I need a possible second or third child. My partner needs his wife before the possibility of another kid. My husband, and love of my life, should not worry about a complication that lands me in a Missouri hospital without the ability to let me pass peacefully because the law states my fetus deserves to live in my corpse before I may be returned to the dirt that I came from as my beliefs dictate. Chance Smith proved that horror could happen with laws like this. I am sorry I must say his name in this manner, but it happened once so there is now a case to name.

Lastly, if I have a miscarriage, can you promise me and all other women, that we won't have to wait until they are showing symptoms of infection or illness? Can you look the women in this room in the eyes and say we won't have to battle to have dignity in the care of a miscarriage because of this law? If an abortion is required to aid and preserve my reproductive abilities because of a miscarriage, how will you, legislative people, non-medical and non-doctorial people assure and affirm I and others like me will not suffer unnecessarily because of this law? I don't want swearing, I want your actual thoughts to be firm and honest.
 Thank you for your time.



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I watched a friend experience an ectopic pregnancy. An ectopic pregnancy is when a fertilized egg escapes the fallopian tube and implants outside of the uterus. A pregnancy outside of the uterus will kill both the pregnant person and the fetus. An abortion saved my friend's life, preserved her fertility, and allowed her to continue to be a parent the child she already had. Why would you want to take life-saving care away? She would have died without abortion care. Her husband would have been left as a single father without abortion care. Her son would have lost his mother without abortion care. Each situation is unique, and decisions should be made between the individual and their healthcare providers.

Also, the people have already voted that abortion is a right in Missouri. A law that violates that right is in violation of the state constitution. Do not pass this bill against the will of the people. Thank you.



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COMMITTEE: Children and Families			
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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: NATALIE SCHWEITZER		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/24/2026 8:53 AM	

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My name is Natalie and I am from Chesterfield, Missouri and I am one of the more than one million, five hundred, and thirty eight thousand Missourians who voted YES on Amendment 3. I joined the majority of Missourians in voting to kick politicians and government OUT of personal medical decision making about pregnancy, abortion, and all sexual and reproductive health care.

As a young woman who is engaged and looking to start a family, a ban on abortion care would make it highly unlikely that I will choose to start that family in Missouri. When abortion care is criminalized, women suffer through dangerous miscarriages, stillbirths, and fetal abnormalities that can cause serious harm or death to their mothers. I want to be a present mother for my children, not one who died from a preventable complication because politicians took a choice away from me, my husband, and my family.

Missourians voted FOR abortion access. We CHOSE to protect women and children by ensuring that women could access abortion in this state. Attempts by the legislature to overturn or undo the people of Missouri are abhorrent and a violation of our civic rights. Even when legislators have opposing views to their voters, the will of the people should prevail.

Do not ban abortion and please cease the relentless attempts to silence Missouri voters by continuing to bring these bills to the floor in direct opposition to what Missourians have already said.



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: NICKY RIDGEWAY		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Criminal penalties threaten all pregnant people and lead to delays and denial of critical care.

Missourians agree, no matter their nuanced feelings about abortion, no one should be persecuted by the legal system for their pregnancy decision-making.

Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

Missourians just demanded legal abortion, and politicians who refuse to accept that will lose their jobs in November.



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WITNESS NAME		
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WITNESS NAME: NICOLE A. STROMBOM		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Abortion is a life saving procedure utilized in cases of miscarriage. Women have a right to bodily autonomy and limiting that right is an attack on women's freedom.



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WITNESS NAME		
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WITNESS NAME: NOAH CURRIER		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Abortion is a human right, and safe medical practices mean healthier women.



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WITNESS NAME		
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WITNESS NAME: OLIVIA LUDWICK		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Voters already decided this issue. The legislature's insistence on overturning the will of the voters is reprehensible.



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WITNESS NAME		
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WITNESS NAME: OLIVIA MENDEZ-ALM		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Medical decisions are best left in the hands of patients and their doctors, not politicians. Listen to the will of Missourians who have already voted to uphold reproductive freedoms.



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WITNESS NAME		
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WITNESS NAME: ONETA TEMPLETON		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I oppose this bill in the strongest possible terms as it is nothing short of mandated religion. The belief about when life begins is just that--a belief, and a highly personal one. That belief may be informed by one's faith; in the Jewish tradition, life begins at first breath and in some fundamentalist Christian traditions, at conception; in other's beliefs at the point a soul is endowed by a higher power whatever beliefs about that may be. Belief about when life begins may be informed by one's religious teachings or none at all; by one's personal experiences or none at all; by one's academic study or by other factors. Regardless of the origin, beliefs about conception, life, death, and afterlife are very personal and should not be dictated by legislation. To do so is to betray America's founding principles. The beliefs of these sponsoring elected officials are to be respected but simply as their personal beliefs. They should not be allowed to impose their own religious teachings on others via legislation. The first and only point at which a fetus has protections of law is the point at which it can live independent of a women's body--this is the only point an unbiased assessment can be made free of religious or spiritual dictates. This bill is yet another attempt to deprive women of control of their own bodies and to reduce women and their rights to that of a birthing vessel. Missourians deserve so much better. Please oppose HB 2688 and any similar efforts to demand allegiance to the religious beliefs of any group.



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: PAM LANHAM		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Women should have the right to decide what happens with their own bodies. The government should have no involvement in those decisions. Reproductive care decisions are for women and their physicians.



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WITNESS NAME		
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WITNESS NAME: PAM ROWLAND		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Abortion is sometimes medically necessary to save the life of the mother. The government has no right to say what a woman can do with her own body. Vasectomies prevent abortion. Regulate men, not women.



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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: PAMELA L GRANT		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME: PATRICIA ANN KELLEY		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Voters of Missouri voted for women to have an abortion if they choose to do so.



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WITNESS NAME: PATRICIA BOYER		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Only the women patient and the medical professionals should have the right to decide what is the best course of action.

Government needs to stay out of it.



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WITNESS NAME: PATRICIA DANIEL		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I am totally opposed to HB 2688. My religion does not believe that life begins at conception so you are using your religion to substitute for mine.

You are backdating this to 1988, 37 years ago. What are you trying to cover??? Using "unborn children" and "unborn child" is not a medical term used for a pregnancy.

If this bill passes, women will delay OB care just in case something unnatural happens to the fetus. This opens the door to prosecute the pregnant woman or medical care giver in case the woman wants or needs an abortion or if there is a miscarriage before the fetus can survive on its own. If this bill passes, it will lead to more women losing their life or the possibility of having future children due to not getting medical assistance because of treat of prosecution. Women will need to go out of state for miscarriage management. We are already at the bottom rank for maternal health in the U.S.

Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom. I urge you not to vote for HB 2688.



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WITNESS NAME: PATRICIA JONES		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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WITNESS NAME			
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WITNESS NAME: PATRICK J MUELLER		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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Missouri voters already told their state government they wanted a woman to have the right to choose what happened to their own bodies. Men decided to disregard the voters wishes. MEN should NOT have a say!



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WITNESS NAME		
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WITNESS NAME: PAUL IMHOFF		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Stop trying to increase the population by forcing women to have babies they are incapable of caring for and worse women whose lives are in danger because of your POLITICAL LIES FOR VOTES.



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WITNESS NAME: PEGGY STURDEVANT		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
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Abortion bans are killing women. MO voters approved abortion care. MO legislators need to listen to voters. They have lost loved ones due to abortion care bans.



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WITNESS NAME: PENNY CLEETON		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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We voters have already made our wishes clear on this matter. You oppose abortions, fine, don't have one. It's up to each individual to decide what they need to do I unfortunately had an ectopic pregnancy 30+ years ago. I would have died as a result if I hadn't been able to it removed. I am here today because abortions are healthcare whether you like it or not.



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WITNESS NAME		
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WITNESS NAME: PETER ALLEN		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I oppose this bill. It's just another attempt at circumventing the legal rights to abortion that Missouri voters supported last year. Shame on you!



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WITNESS NAME: PHYLLIS DANNAR		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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I believe women should be the one to control their bodies not government.



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INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: RACHEL GARRETT		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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Missouri has already voted for legalized abortion. Stop pressing your own agenda and LISTEN. TO. US.**



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BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME		
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WITNESS NAME: REBECCA A WHEELER		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/23/2026 6:25 PM
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Missourians spoke loudly and clearly at the polls. I demand that this bill be defeated as the will of the people voted.



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INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: REBECCA BREWER		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
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This is a continued attack on women's bodily autonomy. I deserve equal rights, and I deserve control over my life and liberty. Trying to take away rights I have to gain control over my body is unacceptable.



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WITNESS NAME: REV. JENN SIMMONS		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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As a pastor I have known and walked with individuals trying to determine what is good and right for their families. I am not a health professional. As a person of faith I encourage people to talk to their doctor. While I can sit with them as they face choices in their lives, only they and their doctors know what they need. I make this choice following Jesus' example. Time and time again he met people with love and compassion. Missourians have spoken. We want you to allow people to have access to reproductive health care. Please respect our voices and votes.



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The people of Missouri have already made our desire known We do not need our (un)representatives to override our clear instructions. This bill should be defeated



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Fetuses should not be granted citizenship. Until the end stages of pregnancy, a fetus cannot survive outside the womb. Even when babies are born before 37 weeks of pregnancy, they are considered premature and often need intensive care because their organs still aren't yet fully developed. How would citizenship for a fetus work? As soon as a woman is pregnant, is she going to apply for a social security number for her fetus? How will that affect taxes? Not every fetus is viable. What if the mother has a miscarriage? How is anyone going to prove if the miscarriage was spontaneous or intentional? Are we going to classify a miscarriage as manslaughter as other states are doing? My mother had a miscarriage between her pregnancy with me and her pregnancy with my younger sister. She was devastated. Her only dream in life was to be a mother and she bore four more children after that. Whenever pregnant, she kept her doctor's appointments to ensure her health and that of her baby. She made sure to maintain a healthy diet, even giving up drinking any soda, to ensure her unborn child got the best nutrients from her. She still considers the child that she lost one of her own. If that fetus had been considered a citizen with rights to a jury, my mother would have been prosecuted for manslaughter. The loss and disappointment she felt was bad enough, but to be held liable for this death she could do nothing to prevent would have destroyed her. How many other women lament the loss of their unborn child and would be further traumatized by being taken to court to be blamed for their loss?

Separately, why are we caring more about the well-being of a fetus, which is unviable outside the womb, than the actual person carrying the child? A pregnant woman has family and friends (hopefully, because a support system is crucial for anyone, especially if they're going to have a child), memories and emotions. A fetus has not developed enough to have friends, memories, or emotions. Their only connection is to the person carrying them. A pregnant woman's loved ones may feel a love for their potential grandchild/sibling/cousin/niece or nephew, but the fetus doesn't have a bond with them. So, if a woman decides to have an abortion, that should be a choice between her, her spouse, and her healthcare provider. No one else should have a say. No friends, no family, no politician who lacks a medical degree, should be able to tell a pregnant person what to do with her body. A woman may pursue an abortion for a number of reasons - a risk to her own health, a genetic defect affecting viability of the fetus, lack of resources to properly care for the child, etc. A woman should not be forced to put her life at risk for her unborn child. A woman should not be forced to carry a fetus that has a terminal condition. A woman should not be forced to carry a child she knows she will struggle to provide for or give up for adoption in the hopes that the new family will properly care for her child.

Please protect our women. Please care about our women. Please leave healthcare choices in the hands of healthcare providers who have the education necessary to help their patients make the best choices

for them. If fetuses are granted citizenship and rights to a jury, women lose rights while they are pregnant and healthcare providers lose the power to help their pregnant patients with difficult decisions when health and welfare are at risk.



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**Of all the issues we are facing right now, this is not one of them!
I OPPOSE IT COMPLETELY. THIS IS A RIDICULOUS BILL AND CANNOT BELIEVE YOU WASTED
TAXPAYER DOLLARS FOR IT.**

STOP TRYING TO CHANGE WHAT VOTERS APPROVED.



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Banning access to abortion rights in Missouri is wrong and against the will of the voters who already voted to protect reproductive rights in this state.



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Missouri House Bill 2688 would fundamentally alter constitutional law by declaring that an “unborn child” at any stage of development is entitled to Fifth and Fourteenth Amendment rights. While presented as a defense of life, this bill instead strips constitutional protections from pregnant people and inserts the state into the most personal medical decisions a family can face.

The Constitution has never recognized prenatal personhood. The Fourteenth Amendment explicitly applies to those who are “born or naturalized.” Attempting to redefine personhood through state legislation invites legal chaos and conflicts directly with established constitutional interpretation.

The consequences are not theoretical. Granting constitutional rights from conception would expose miscarriages, pregnancy complications, and medical care to investigation and potential prosecution. Doctors could be forced to delay or deny care out of fear, even in emergencies. Families experiencing loss could be treated as suspects rather than patients in need of compassion.

Most troubling, HB 2688 makes pregnant people constitutionally unequal. Their liberty, privacy, and bodily autonomy become subordinate to a legal status imposed by the state. This is not equal protection—it is state-mandated inequality based on pregnancy.

HB 2688 does not support families, reduce the need for abortion, or improve maternal health. It relies on punishment and surveillance rather than care and support.

Missouri should reject this bill and uphold a Constitution that protects people from government overreach not one used to control their bodies and lives.



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No one has a right to tell me what I can or cannot do to my body. Your religious beliefs are not universally shared, and I don't want your religious beliefs to impact my personal choices. No one should have a voice except the woman involved who wants to terminate a pregnancy.



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The labeling of an embryo as a fully developed child with more protection than a parent creates a legal precedent to criminalize abortions that mostly occur when the embryo weighs less than an ounce and have little emergence of human systems. Women, their families and physicians need the freedom from government criminalization to make decisions about the health, financial, and safety of the family. This is a dangerous law



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The people of Missouri have spoken on this issue. Vast majority of citizens believe that abortion should be legal and it's the right of a woman to choose. Opposing abortion is not about children it is about subjugating women and keeping them a second-class citizens. No matter what you tell yourself, this is not a noble effort. You are on the wrong side of History. The wrong side of Human Rights. And don't think that you will exhaust the community by keeping up the pressure. This law should not pass. The amendment before voters this year will not pass. Citizens of Missouri are not going to let you take women's rights away.

Thank You

Ryan Bell



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The government needs to stay the fuck out of healthcare decisions, including and most importantly any decisions that pertain to female reproductive health. Men, who are not doctors and who have a profoundly limited understanding of female reproductive health, should sit down and shut their mouths on this topic.



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Beacon Reproductive Health Network, formerly known as Missouri Family Health Council, is a steadfast champion for accessible healthcare — working in partnership with providers and communities to remove barriers and expand access for all. For more than 40 years, we have served as Missouri’s sole Title X grantee, leading a statewide network of trusted health centers to ensure people across the state can access the high-quality, affordable sexual and reproductive healthcare they want and need.

HB 2688 threatens access to care for pregnant people by criminalizing abortion. At Beacon, we believe everyone should have the freedom to make their own healthcare decisions in consultation with their family and provider, without government interference. Not only does this bill infringe on an individual’s right to access sexual and reproductive healthcare at their own discretion, but it will create barriers for people with pregnancy complications to receive adequate emergency care. Medical procedures and medications used for miscarriage management are the same as those used for abortion care. Abortion bans, such as HB 2688, have a history of blocking or delaying time-sensitive, life-saving treatment for patients experiencing miscarriage. People with pregnancy complications are dying or suffering serious injury, including infertility, due to being denied access to this essential care.

Furthermore, abortion bans that classify a fetus as a person can lead to forced medical interventions during pregnancy. In some states, hospitals have overridden a pregnant person’s medical decisions, forcing patients to have medically unnecessary cesarean surgeries, blood transfusions, or even confining them to hospitals on forced bedrest in lieu of providing abortion care. This law is particularly dangerous in Missouri, where we see maternal and infant mortality rates that are higher than the national average.

Missourians resoundingly voted against our state’s abortion ban at the ballot box in November 2024. Please respect the will of the people and vote no on HB 2688.



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Dear Missouri House of Representatives,

Writing yet again today in **OPPOSITION TO HB 2688 - ILLEGAL PROPOSAL TO REVERSE AND MITIGATE THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PASSED BY THE VOTERS AND RESIDENTS OF MISSOURI IN 2024.**

Ref: (a) News Article documenting the continued exodus of obstetricians from Missouri

<https://missouriindependent.com/2024/06/04/missouri-ob-gyn-residents-maternal-health-abortion/>

(b) Spotlight on Poverty delineating numbers of children being raised by grandparents in Missouri 116,000, children living in singled/ unsupported parents households 34% , and children living in foster care 12,390, and a 22.5 rate of teen pregnancy! 15-19.

<https://spotlightonpoverty.org/states/missouri/#:~:text=Percent%20of%20single%2Dparent%20families%20with,14%25>

(c) Department of Human Health and Services Vital Statistics Report showing 18 abortions in the entire state for the last year published (2023). This is .0059 % of all stalked and reported private medical decisions made by families who have had some kind of horrible medical updates as to the viability of their child discussed with them **BY A LICENSED MEDICAL DOCTOR WITH 12 TO 15 YEARS OF EDUCATION ON THE TOPIC OF FETAL HEALTH AND MATERNAL HEALTH!**

<https://health.mo.gov/data/vitalstatistics/mvs23/Table12a.pdf>

(d) Pregnancy related mortality rates of Missouri study, 77% of which were **PREVENTABLE!**

<https://health.mo.gov/news/newsitem/uuid/3592972c-9821-4c5a-9ed4-b02d0ab57aa7>

1. You have chosen to ignore the will of the people **YET AGAIN? HOW COULD YOU?** With all of the federal losses of funding for SNAP benefits, Childcare, and even WIC now, you still want to force breed women by now bestowing the rights guaranteed in the U.S. Constitution to Men but **NOT** to Women as of this date? : Refer to Item 1: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/house-joint-resolution/980> has not even been passed and yet you want to ask the state governing body to enact this for a zygote? This is the most backwards, reprehensible, and desparate attempt to fool women into thinking you actually do have ANYone's interest beyond your own in mind. You want us to model the sick behavior of Alabama who kept a dead woman on life support to 'give birth' to a fetus who, after six months now, **STILL** cannot live outside the womb on his own? It sickens me how legislatures want to truly 'play' like they are a god of some sort, picking and choosing. This being has not grown nor progressed into anything but a sideshow for his 'dad' to attain monies from the go-fund me account. There is no love in what they did for this 'Chance" of Alabama, only a sick, perverted, and latent

infestation of government overreach.

Enacting a law which would put yet more interference between Parents and their child, a woman and her pregnancy, a family and their own tragedy, is the OPPOSITE of help. You are proposing to stand in the way of basic science and medicine and cause irreversible harm to your constituents. Please vote no on the heinous 2688 proposed law. It lacks any factual evidence and appears merely as yet another tool to oppress the lives of residents who have no actual access to sexual education, disease and unplanned pregnancy prevention, nor the resources to address such challenges. The food lines and pantries will run out. Please allow WOMEN to have the 4th and 14th Amendment and the actual opportunity for Equality Under the Law vice this ridiculous strategy.

Do you really want to be in the examining room to engage in medical practice without any education or license whatsoever? As you can see in ref (a), Missouri is losing both experienced doctors in this field as well as students even wanting to pursue this as a course of study; this can be attributed to a direct correlation to the harassment and threats by your very actions! What you are doing is causing MORE DAMAGE to the 'unborn' you pretend to care about! By going after the actual medical providers as if they would be doing any harm whatsoever to their patient! (you have heard of the Hippocratic Oath, right) Treating patients as criminals for obtaining fact-based medicine by the fewer and fewer professionally licensed providers Missouri has left, and threatening these medical providers as if they are criminals is bad for the women and girls who need them.

2. It is the physicians /LPN job to dispense appropriate and fact based medical care to patients, even for girls and women to exercise their State Constitutional right of bodily autonomy, including the safe and legal option for medication abortion through the prescribing of a safe prescription, carefully monitored by that same physician, and a drug which has been approved for over 25 years now. Your excerpt in 1667 specifically challenges the entire medical community with no basis in fact whatsoever, per Ref (b)!

In case you forgot: "Knowingly, recklessly, or negligently supplies or makes available any instrument, device, medicine, drug, or any other means or substance for another person to undergo a self-induced abortion or attempted self-induced abortion, or to procure an unlawful abortion or attempted unlawful abortion;" Again I remind you, that abortion is legal in Missouri which makes the wording entirely without merit and an obviously deceitful way to intimidate practicing providers as well as innocent girls and women. Often, it is again the very children you say you 'want to protect' who have been raped through strangers or their own family members who will pay a hefty price for this illegal and immoral law. You do know that Missouri already has an infant and maternal mortality rate of a 3rd world country? Ref (d) is your own state DHSS Report, and something I really don't think you have even bothered to read or apply to this reckless use of your elected position.

3- You have inserted medication abortion language in as if we would not read this, attempting to criminalize the dispensation of medication within the first 10 weeks instead of respecting the Constitutional Amendment making abortion LEGAL in Missouri. Are you aware that there has been a 25% loss of qualified medical professionals in the reproductive healthcare field because of your unbridled lust for injecting your personal religion into this proposed state law? The separation of church and state is what our U.S. Constitution is based on, and I think your despicable commingling of the two in this state law is completely inappropriate and absolutely heinous, as well as harmful to your very own constituents.

4. My opposition to this bill is not only because of the illicit tactics, but because it is also taking up valuable time from endeavors and causes that could clearly benefit the population segments of Missourians who ARE in need AT PRESENT TIME. Rep Holly Jones has the Veterans Personal Property Tax bill under her name as a sponsor, and yet, where is the hearing and where is the energy and passion for taking care of those of us who served our country?

5. Or how about addressing the dire need for improved tracking and care for the nearly 13,000 foster children in Missouri? Where are their bills to support them and provide safe living environments? Shoot, you lost 1200 of them one year and no one did ANYTHING about it.

6. LT Gov Wassinger embarked on a tour to address the abominable conditions for Senior Citizens aging into assisted living and yet, when confronting the accompanying state Senator about the \$6 million dollars of state taxpayer monies being allocated to non-medical falsely represented "Crisis Pregnancy Care" centers in this state, all he could do was launch into a diatribe about the unborn. Well, guess what, your Senior Citizens, including Veterans, are being robbed blind, neglected, and abused while much needed funding is being allocated to support the absolutely sick fixation the state GOP legislature has on other people's body parts and women's private medical decisions.

7. These CPC's have no basis in medicine and are only there to shame girls and women into some biblical belief while dispensing absolutely false medical information. How on earth does that take \$6 million taxpayer dollars to do? They are not even required to report incest or rape of a minor to the authorities because there is no medical provider onboard. They may have an ultra sound person but no actual medical staff, just religious zealots who want everyone to follow their one religion no matter the harm they are inflicting.

8. You could not defeat the will of the people on the matter of Safe, Legal Abortion, so now you are using deceptive wording to villainize medical providers and patients seeking fact based care. You should be ashamed of yourselves. There are so many needs much greater than your zest for obstructing access and care for women and girls. Why not endorse Jamie Gragg's idea to HOLD FATHERS ACCOUNTABLE? Why are you focusing on trampling the rights of women when every pregnancy begins with a man? Where is the accountability for these men who father children all over the place but yet can walk away from their responsibility just by choice? Men can also just walk away when the child turns 18, which is funny, because Mothers cannot. If you look again at the Spotlight on Poverty statistics, 34% of children in Missouri live in single (unsupported) parent households. Why is this acceptable to you? Do try to put some of the onus on the men when you discuss children living in poverty, would you ? It is grossly unfair that men can also choose to 'give up their parental rights' just so they don't have to pay child support. Women very rarely do this, usually it's jail or drug abuse involved. Look at the maternal rate of death by suicide, you should learn more about this as 1667 and 2294, if either passes, will be contributing to the increase in negative outcomes for women and girls in this state.

9. In closing, I want the committee to know that I SERVED MY COUNTRY TO DEFEND OUR FREEDOMS, NOT TO OPPRESS THEM. The will of the people should be respected. The practice of medicine should be respected. The separation of church and state should be adhered to. And the practice of the 1996 HIPAA laws must be obeyed by the Republican representatives in the state legislature. (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.) No one needs you in their exam room. No one needs you in their greatest time of challenge when making private decisions with regard to their own bodies and lives. No one needs your interference in obtaining medical care. And finally, no one needs their offspring to become some kind of sick science experiment with no possibility of life outside the womb due to laws which are invasive, inhumane, and unjust.

Sincerely,

Sabrina Bonnette



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On behalf of the American Civil Liberties Union of Missouri, I would like to express our strong opposition to HB 2688. The ACLU of Missouri works in the courts, legislature, and communities across the state to defend and preserve the civil liberties of Missourians.

HB 2866 is a thinly veiled attempt to reestablish an abortion ban in the state. By seeking to confer legal protections and rights to a fetus during any point in pregnancy, this bill would put essential health care out of reach for Missourians. There is a difference between personal beliefs about when life begins and laws that apply to everyone, regardless of faith, opinion, or expertise from medical professionals. Beyond abortion care, HB 2866 also threatens the freedom to make personal decisions around IVF and birth control.

Importantly, HB 2866 is unconstitutional under the Right to Reproductive Freedom Initiative, passed by the majority of Missourians in November 2024. HB 2866 infringes upon this fundamental right, unduly restricting reproductive freedom while failing to present a “compelling governmental interest achieved by the least restrictive means” (MO Constitution, Art. 1, Sec. 36). Missourians affirmed that private, medical decisions are best made by families and their doctors, not politicians.

Pursuing this proposal would not only unconstitutionally violate Missourians’ rights, but it would also denigrate the will of the people and deny the full dignity and freedom of Missouri families. For these reasons, we urge the committee to oppose and vote NO on HB 2866.



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I am opposed to this bill because it criminalizes essential healthcare for me as a woman. It also contradicts the will of the people established in the 2024 election.



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I respectfully submit testimony in opposition to House Bill 2688.

This bill is not merely a statement of belief. It is a sweeping legal declaration that attempts to redefine personhood, constitutional rights, and legal standing in a manner that reaches far beyond its stated intent and carries profound consequences for women, families, medical professionals, and the legal system itself.

By asserting that unborn children at every stage of development are entitled to the full protections of the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments, this bill attempts to resolve deeply contested constitutional questions through statute rather than through the careful processes of constitutional law.

State legislatures do not have the authority to unilaterally redefine the scope of federal constitutional rights or to preemptively assign personhood in a way that conflicts with established legal doctrine and ongoing judicial interpretation.

The language of this bill is exceptionally broad. Granting “all the rights, privileges, and immunities” of persons to the unborn at every stage of development creates unavoidable legal conflicts across Missouri law — including conflicts with criminal law, civil liability, medical decision-making, family law, inheritance, and healthcare access.

These conflicts are not hypothetical. They invite litigation, confusion, and inconsistent enforcement that will burden courts and place Missourians in legal uncertainty.

Although the bill states that it does not create a cause of action against a woman for failing to properly care for herself during pregnancy, that assurance is narrow and incomplete.

It does not address the real risk that women may nevertheless face investigation, prosecution, or civil exposure through other legal theories when adverse pregnancy outcomes occur.

History has shown that broad personhood language, even when paired with disclaimers, is routinely used to justify state intrusion into private medical decisions.

The Constitution protects individual liberty, bodily integrity, due process, and equal protection under the law. Any legislation that elevates the legal status of one interest by diminishing the autonomy, health, and constitutional protections of another must be approached with extreme caution.

This bill does not strike that balance. Instead, it risks turning pregnancy into a condition of heightened legal surveillance and women into potential defendants in matters that should remain private and medical.

Moral and spiritual beliefs about life are deeply held and deserve respect. But in a pluralistic society governed by constitutional law, those beliefs cannot be imposed through statutory language that creates sweeping legal consequences for people who do not share them.

Law must be clear, restrained, and consistent with constitutional limits. HB 2688 fails that test.

For these reasons, I urge this body to oppose House Bill 2688.



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HB 2688 purports to clarify existing law, but instead expands constitutional assertions without defining enforceable boundaries, implementation standards, or limiting principles.

The result is not protection, but legal indeterminacy.

By asserting full constitutional rights at conception while disclaiming direct enforcement against women, the bill creates a structural contradiction: rights are declared without a clearly accountable duty-bearer.

This invites inconsistent application across prosecutors, courts, healthcare providers, and administrative agencies, increasing the likelihood of selective enforcement and collateral litigation.

The bill provides no statutory guidance for conflicts between the asserted rights of the unborn and the established constitutional rights of living persons, nor does it address how these assertions interact with medical judgment, emergency care, or existing child-welfare frameworks.

These omissions are not neutral; they shift interpretive power away from the legislature and onto courts and frontline professionals without legislative safeguards.

Missouri's obligation is not merely to declare rights, but to legislate with precision. HB 2688 substitutes broad symbolism for operational clarity, creating foreseeable legal exposure without corresponding public benefit.

Vote NO. Declarations without limits are not policy; they are deferrals of responsibility.



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Abortion is a human right, and abortion bans — which HB 2688 is — reduce me to my ability to get pregnant. This bill strips rights away from pregnant people. This bill eliminates my right to control my own body and puts the state in charge of my body. Stop trying to strip residents of our right to control our own bodies, lives, and futures, and start spending your time — and our taxpayer dollars — working to improve life for Missourians.



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I am in opposition to this bill. As a soon-to-be mother, I know how important it is to have access to safe and high-quality obstetric care. States who have passed laws similar to this have lost that care.



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Firstly, Missourians have already voted to enshrine reproductive rights in our constitution, and it is disgraceful for our state leaders to attempt to take that away from us. Second, any ban will affect all abortions, even in the event of a medical emergency where seconds can mean the difference between total recovery, lifelong harm, or death. Doctors may hesitate to perform necessary medical procedures out of fear of prosecution, costing their patients money, their bodies, or their lives. This fear will additionally dissuade women from attempting to conceive in the first place, as I can personally testify. The risks inherent to pregnancy are numerous, and in worst-case scenarios, no individual, family or doctor wants to wait for bureaucracy to allow for medical intervention that would save their life or the life of their loved one. Thirdly, the lobbyists who create and advertise these bills are not medical experts. There is a real and persistent effort within the United States to ban abortions in all cases, regardless of exceptions for rape, incest, life of the mother, or lack of viability of the pregnancy. This is part of a larger attack on women's rights and autonomy, and that fact cannot be ignored. Missourians have already shown that the majority of us want our mothers, our wives, our sisters, our daughters, to have the right to make their own medical decisions without the involvement of the state. Any representative that fails to stand with us in that goal will regret it come November.



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Keep state government out of my affairs.



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The people of Missouri have already spoken on this issue by the majority voting to protect reproductive healthcare access via constitutional amendment. This attempt to override the people's desires is frankly, a waste of taxpayer money.



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The constituents/tax pays voted for access to a safe abortion. Such freedom was taken away without our vote multiple times. We voted and told you what the people of Missouri wanted. Why are you going against the will of the people? It's we the people, not a select few people deciding based on what their big donors want.



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U.S. Constitution law has consistently rejected the idea that embryos or fetuses are “persons” under the 14th Amendment. Conception based personhood would create administrative and legal obligations and complications that I do not think the MO Legislative is prepared to tackle.

Unique DNA is not sufficient for personhood. Tumors and cells also have unique DNA. Personhood depends on function and capacity, not genetics alone. (American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Ethics Guidance)

There is no medical consensus on when an embryo becomes a human. The belief that personhood begins at conception is a religious belief that is not supported by the majority of Missourians. Adoption of these bills would violate the religious freedom of Missourians who do not agree that personhood begins at conceptions.



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Nothing and no one has the right to tell women what to do with their bodies. No one knows better than them what is best for them. The people who matter most are the ones who are already here, not fetuses.



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Criminalizing abortion care is against the will of Missouri voters, and revictimizes survivors of sexual assault. I work in the Domestic Violence unit in Greene County, and am a constituent in Representative Chappell's own district in Greene County. I would like to remind my representative that on demand abortion care ensures that rape survivors have the dignity and freedom to recover from assault on their own terms. This proposed legislation rewards sexual violence against women and children by criminalizing on demand abortion care, and is not consistent with the will of his district voters who work in law enforcement and victim advocacy. We have already voted to reinstare legal abortion. The majority of Missouri voters acknowledge that victims deserve dignity, why doesn't Chappell agree?



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Leave abortion rights alone, it's my body and it's my choice



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While I respect the intention behind HB 2688 to protect life, I believe this bill raises serious legal, medical, and social concerns that could have far-reaching consequences for Missourians and for the implementation of state and federal law.

1. Overriding Missouri Voter-Approved Reproductive Rights

Voters in Missouri recently enacted a constitutional amendment guaranteeing certain reproductive health care rights, including abortion access up to viability and protections for medical emergencies and miscarriages. Lawmakers are currently considering multiple measures aimed at altering or overriding those voter-approved rights. Placing a conflicting constitutional standard in statute risks contravening expressed voter intent and undermines public trust in the democratic process. Policymaking should reflect the voice of Missouri voters, not the unilateral expansion of constitutional definitions without their direct consent.

2. Uncertainty for Medical Providers and Patients

By declaring constitutional protections for unborn children at all stages, HB 2688 could make routine medical care — including treatment for miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, or other pregnancy complications — legally perilous for doctors and hospitals. Without clear statutory definitions or clinical guidance in the bill text, medical professionals may be put in impossible positions: forced to choose between delivering needed health care and risking criminal or civil liability. Patients facing pregnancy-related emergencies deserve clarity and access to safe, evidence-based medical care — not uncertainty driven by broad constitutional language.

3. Potential Conflict with Established Constitutional Rights

HB 2688 seeks to extend full constitutional protections (including due process and equal protection) to “unborn children at any stage of development.” This language is extremely broad and lacks clear legal boundaries. Applying the 5th and 14th Amendment protections to all unborn children could directly conflict with existing Supreme Court precedent regarding reproductive rights and bodily autonomy. Ambiguous constitutional definitions could invite prolonged litigation and divert scarce public resources. The U.S. Supreme Court and federal courts have repeatedly underscored complex balances between individual rights, and rushing to expand constitutional personhood without careful legal framing invites uncertainty. (Legal scholars have highlighted the complexities of personhood definitions and constitutional protection when applied to prenatal stages.)

4. Lack of Clarity, Definitions, and Implementation Guidelines

HB 2688 does not offer definitions for key terms such as “unborn child,” nor does it provide guidance on how its constitutional framing would interact with existing health care laws and criminal statutes. There is no explanation of how the bill would be enforced, what legal standards would apply, or how conflicts would be resolved under state or federal law. Legislation of this magnitude should include precise definitions and implementation frameworks, not leave critical questions to litigation and guesswork.

Conclusion

For these reasons — legal ambiguity, risks to medical care, conflict with voter-approved rights, and lack of clear implementation guidance — I respectfully urge the Children and Families Committee to oppose HB 2688. Missourians deserve policies that protect health, respect individual rights, and promote clarity and fairness in the law.

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

**Respectfully submitted,
Stefanie Buscher**



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HB 2688 is poorly written and insufficiently thought through, and will cause serious unintended consequences.

By attempting to grant legal protections to a very early-stage fetus, this bill creates more questions than answers. It opens the door to legal confusion around parental obligations, benefits, medical decision-making, and constitutional rights—without providing clear guidance to families, doctors, or courts. When laws are vague in matters of healthcare and criminal liability, real people pay the price.

I am especially concerned that legislation like this will discourage medical providers from acting quickly in complex or high-risk situations, out of fear of legal consequences. That hesitation can cost patients their health or their lives. Laws governing medical care must be precise, evidence-based, and centered on patient safety. HB 2688 does not meet that standard.

Regardless of one’s personal beliefs, laws with such far-reaching implications should be drafted with care, clarity, and humility. This bill fails to do so and risks causing harm where caution is required.

For these reasons, you must vote NO on HB 2688.



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A woman should be able to choose what she does to her body and her unborn child because it is hers inside of her. End of statement.



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I oppose this bill. Reproductive Healthcare should be determined by the individual and their provider, and women should be allowed bodily autonomy. MO voters approved Amendment 3 in 2024 and this bill does not honor those provisions.



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**A fetus before quickening is not an individual human being. It does not have a separate right to life.
The Legislature should stop trying to overturn the voters' decision to permit a woman to abort a foetus.**



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Abortion is health care.



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This unneeded interference in the health care of a woman. If anything is needed it is funding of healthcare for our citizens, man and woman alike.



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I am a Missouri voter & I oppose HB2688.

Unique DNA is not sufficient for personhood. Tumors and cells also have unique DNA. Personhood depends on function and capacity, not genetics alone. (American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Ethics Guidance)

There is no medical consensus on when an embryo becomes a human. The belief that life begins at conception is a religious belief. Using law to enforce a religious belief is unethical & an abuse of power.

Embryos & fetuses are not people, but the person carrying the embryo or fetus is a person & their right to bodily autonomy should be respected.



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It is not the role of the state to determine how a woman manages her personal health. That includes pregnancies. So-called unborn children are not capable of living outside the womb until they have been born, and often a woman's pregnancy fails despite any efforts to save it and therefore must be terminated to save the woman's life. The life of a living woman is more valuable than that of an unborn fetus. Women should not be punished for making their own healthcare decisions. This bill should not be passed.



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NO. This woman-hating legislation is tiresome, and it's only January. Knock it off.



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As a woman in your district, I am appalled that you are wasting time trying to overturn the will of Missourians with this bill. I am strongly opposed to this and any bill that takes away reproductive rights. Please get to work making life better for Missourians, instead of making it harder for women to get the healthcare they need and deserve.



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WITNESS NAME: SUSAN TOUCHON		PHONE NUMBER:
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**Women deserve body autonomy. Their health care should be between her and her doctor, none else.
Respect women and their bodies**



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WITNESS NAME: SUZANNE LEE		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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It is important for Missouri Women's Health that abortion providers can do their work without fear of prosecution. Shame on you for trying to undo by other means, the will of Missouri voters to keep abortion legal.



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WITNESS NAME: TAMELA WARD		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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This bill will kill women! Please vote NO



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WITNESS NAME: TAMMIE BARKER		PHONE NUMBER:
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Vote no on 2688! Missouri's residents have already spoken on abortion.



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WITNESS NAME: TAMMY F MCBEE TUTT		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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I Oppose the Chappell Bill. My opinion is developed by scientific training and experience while separating my religious beliefs from governmental policy.



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WITNESS NAME: TANYA HANNAFORD		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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My daughter wants a family one day, but she has many health concerns that could make a pregnancy dangerous for her. She should have a right to try for a family; she should also have a right to save her own life, if a pregnancy threatens it. It's self-defense, and it's personal. It's her business and her decision. Let her have the autonomy to make it.



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WITNESS NAME: TARA REUTER JOHNSON		PHONE NUMBER:	
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This bill violates the 5th and 14th Amendment rights of a pregnant person.



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I oppose this bill because it would criminalize abortion. Abortion and reproductive care should be decided by women and their doctors. The legislature and Governor should respect the people of Missouri who voted in 2024 to make abortion legal.



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WITNESS NAME: TINA HANG		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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A woman's choice to abort a child should remain between her and her doctor. The government should turn their attention away from women's bodies and pay attention to the economy because your constituents are struggling to support their families, buy houses, put food on the table, and make a livable wage. Maybe those should be the priority topics to work on rather and a woman's health choices.



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WITNESS NAME: TINA KONERSMANN		PHONE NUMBER:
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I, like many other Missourians already voted to approve healthcare for women, specifically abortion healthcare. Republicans of this state need to listen to their constituents because we already voted for legal abortion healthcare!



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I am strongly opposed to legislation that aims to cancel the will of our citizens and restrict the right for a woman to chose.



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Vote against this bill that restricts our right to control our bodies and medical health choices.



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We Missourians already voted for legal abortion & knew what we were voting for. That should be a personal decision & politicians shouldn't be in bed with citizens forcing their will on citizens. In case you'd like to know-I never had an abortion.



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WITNESS NAME: VICTORIA W SINGER		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I oppose HB2688 as a woman, a mother, and a Missourian. The term "unborn child" is not a medical term and not a part of my Jewish faith. This legislation is meant to strip women and girls of their bodily autonomy. Missourians won the right to restore reproductive rights in 2024. I oppose HB2688 which defies the will of the people and imposes one group's religious views on all citizens of this state.



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WITNESS NAME: VICTORIA WINTER		PHONE NUMBER:
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Last year we the people vote and won the popular vote to legalize abortion. It is unconstitutional to go against what the people want. As a women and mom to two girls I am going to continue to fight for women's right to make their own choices. Politicians have no right to tell us what we can and cannot do with our bodies. By convicting the care givers that provide these services you are taking away our rights to choice. You are putting women at risk for having to seek non-experienced medical care or try and do something themselves. You are selfish that you can make these decisions for others. It's sad to see a man with mostly daughters and granddaughters support this bill as it could hurt them in the future. So I stand strong on my vote to oppose this bill.



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Clusters of cells that cannot survive outside of their human host's body should not have more rights than the living person they are inside of. If Republicans, conservatives, and Christians were ACTUALLY pro-life they would be concerned about the living, breathing person and not just about the possible life inside of her. They would also care about support and protecting children once they leave their mothers' bodies, but we have seen legislation that actively reduces the resources and protections children have once their mothers birth them. Forced birth is not caring about women and children or a human life. Make things better for the actual living instead of the idea of a person.



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WITNESS NAME: VIVIAN HOWAT		PHONE NUMBER:	
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We do not need another male politician, who is NOT a medical expert, to make abortion illegal and unavailable in ALL cases, which will endanger the lives of women who need proper medical care when there a problem pregnancy.

Missourians already voted to kick politicians and government OUT of personal, private, medical decision-making when a majority of us voted to LEGALIZE abortion and establish a Right to Reproductive Freedom.

If a politician cannot respect the majority will of Missourians, they need to resign.



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WITNESS NAME: VRENI JONES		PHONE NUMBER:
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Essentially this law would give embryo rights over and above the rights of living, breathing women. There is no medical consensus on when an embryo becomes a human. The belief that life begins at conception is a religious belief and not supported by the majority of Missourians.



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Missouri voted on the right to choose. We do not need to do this again. We just need legislators to listen. Last year, legislators said that voters did not know what they were voting on. We knew, but if you feel like voters did not understand, then maybe they did not understand the actual politicians they ended up electing as well. Right? If you are claiming we are uneducated on ballot measures, then it makes sense that you think we are also uneducated on our politicians.



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WITNESS NAME: WILL BUSCHER		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I oppose this legislation.



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WITNESS NAME: YVONNE SERBELL		PHONE NUMBER:	
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My daughter in law was pregnant with identical twin boys. One of the twins was extremely ill and was going to die in utero. However, if she did not abort the dying twin the other twin would either die instantly or be extremely disabled. Therefore, abortion is not a cut and dried issue. So please listen to the voters who want to legalize abortion. Vote no on Amendment 3!!!!



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What is the real purpose of making us vote again on something that we voted in favor of? Is it that if you overturn it often enough we will get tired and not vote, or is it that if you change the wording enough we won't know whether to vote yes or no? Just know this: we feel strongly about this issue and you will not win!



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WITNESS NAME: ZACK WILSON		PHONE NUMBER:	
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We have already voted on this, it's ridiculous that this issue continuously is coming up. Keep abortion legal, end of story.



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WITNESS NAME: CYNTHIA BARKER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I am herd to state what a horrible thing it is to murder (abort) a baby. I am 55 now but when I was 16 I was raped by a man 28. I hid it because I was afraid of my father. I only wish I was able to hide it longer. I ended up pregnant. My father forced me into an abortion. He made me lie as to how fat along I was since the law at the time was 8 weeks. I was a kid still. My father kept us locked away from the world I guess you could say and I really didn't understand what was happening. I learned really fast. They made a group of women sit in a room and discuss why they were seaking an abortion. I even heard married women say their husband and themselves just didn't want kids yet. I thought but you are married why are you doing this. When it came to me I told them with tears in my eyes I was scared.i told them I didn't quite know what it all meant but my father was making me do this. He was in the lobby waiting. He had told them upon check in he wouldn't take me home if they didn't do it. I told the group this along with the staff. I was asked "is this what you want" I said no I didn't want to kill a baby. They offered no other alternatives and told me I was just 16 the choice wasn't mine. The sounds the smells all of it haunts me to this day. I have had therapists tell me none of it was my fault but couldn't I have fought harder. I have felt like a murder ever since. I have struggled with depression and guilt over this non stop for almost 40 years now.

These are innocent babies who don't deserve to die because it's the wrong time or an inconvenience or yes even rape. Maybe I wouldn't have been able to raise the child but there are plenty of people who would have stepped up. These people are waiting for these babies.why not instead of make abortion normal and ok, why not start making adoption ok. Let's get that normalized. Make it easier to adopt. Take away the stigma of a woman or girl who puts a baby for adoption away. My sister adopted two babies. We see these mothers as heros. Yes I say mothers. Because these mothers love their babies enough to let them live and let someone else love them in their place. The birth mother of my nephew was my daughters friend. When she was waiting to sign the papers she asked me if this made her a bad mother. I told her no, it made her a wonderful mother. She did not want and could not care for a baby. She came to us knowing my sister could conceive and asked her to take him. By placing him where he could live a happy life she was a good mother.

We have to stop all of this killing of babies. One day each of us will have to answer for this. It doesn't matter if you had the abortion, support abortion, or are a law maker who made it possible. We will have to answer for this in the end.



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Abortion should be available to those who need it under the right limited non-discriminatory circumstances. Restricting access treats women as less than full citizens. Women need to have self-determination and autonomy over their bodies, it isn't a state's decision. There is a level of violence and dehumanization that comes from forcing women to remain pregnant.