

I am writing you to ask your help to at least modify H.57

My daughter-in-law went into early labor at 21 weeks. The baby, a boy, was born alive, he lived 5 minutes and died in his parents' arms. They named him George Daniel, and had a funeral for him. He was their third son.

It is an affront to our intelligence to say that he was not a human being, but a fetus with no value unless the mother wanted him. I fear for our country if we continue down this road. I don't understand how Vermont, which embraces everyone, cannot find room in its embrace for the unborn child and cannot recognize the horror of abortion.

I understand that Vermont allows abortion up until natural birth. I don't know how you would abort a baby at nine months without causing it excruciating pain. At the very least, abortion should never be allowed in the second and third trimester. In the words of a past president, this is not who we are, we are better than this.

Please, please think about what allowing this does to not only the baby, but to the mother and our society. I am not including the father in this since everyone seems to completely ignore his part in this (I understand that the father may be among the missing but certainly not in all cases). There are alternatives to abortion which the abortion industry does not want women to choose.

I find it impossible to believe that Vermonters truly want unfettered abortion...it is a horror.

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