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March 11, 2016

Mr. David Ripley Idaho Chooses Life P.O. Box 8172 Boise, Idaho 83707

RE: IDAHO UNBORN INFANT DIGNITY ACT

Dear Mr. Ripley:

We write to offer our support for the Idaho Unborn Infant Dignity Act (SB 1349). This is a comprehensive approach to upholding the dignity of human life in our state.

As with most Idahoans, we were greatly disturbed to see the videos released last summer and fall regarding the horrific trafficking in baby parts and tissue collected from vulnerable babies lost to abortion. It is just shocking to realize that this is going on in America.

Those videos highlight the corrosive effect legalized abortion is having upon our society.

It is imperative that our Legislature take a stand to prohibit the scandalous use of aborted babies as some sort of commodity. In our view, it is simply immoral to treat these victims as mere means to an end – however noble that justification might appear. We are confident that important medical research can continue using tissue donated from morally licit sources. It is not necessary for Idaho to lose its moral compass in the quest to treat disease.

We are also gratified to see that the proposed legislation would help provide comfort to families who lose babies to miscarriage. The provision of Fetal Death Certificates would, in many cases, be a great blessing to grieving parents. In our view, such a recognition by the State of Idaho would be a simple act of kindness, while simultaneously affirming the dignity of each human being as a gift from God.

Thank you for your work on this important legislation, and please communicate our sincere support to members of the Idaho Legislature. If we can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

PASTOR TIM REMINGTON
Altar Church/ Coeur d'Alene

PASTOR DAVE MCGARRAH Deer Flat Church / Caldwell

PASTOR PAUL D. VAN NOY Candlelight Church / Coeur d'Alene

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