HB0997 Equal Protection for Unborn Human Life Act

Stance: Oppose

Testimony: My name is Adiena C. Britt and I reside in the 45th Legislative District of Baltimore City. I am writing to offer my opposition to HB0997. My reason for this opposition is that NO man, NO Legislator, NO law, NO Statute, NO Entity should have any right to govern or prosecute a Woman for a medical decision she is making with HER BODY. Keep legislation OUT of WOMEN's Uteruses. Men do not write laws attempting to determine any types of Usage or prohibiting any medical decisions, procedures, or trying to criminalize such matters on the MALE body. There are no laws as to how to govern your use of your sperm. There are no laws of castration for men who rape women and children. There are no laws require vasectomies for men who conceive children with umpteen women and fail to provide for those children. None. No laws governing Men's Bodies, their decisions on sexual encounters, their failure to provide for their multiple offspring, nor what they can rightfully do with their bodies medically. The year is 2021, Stop trying to impose yourselves on women. Stop trying to dictate what we do with our bodies. Stop trying impose your will on women. Del. Metzgar's wording in this is laughable: "WHEREAS, The Declaration of Independence states, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life...That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men..."and government has a duty to protect and 24defend the right to life that is the natural right of all human beings". If you want to quote our founding documents, notate that they were written by and for rich White Men ONLY. These words did NOT pertain to women, to Black and Brown people. These words were written to empower White Men with control, and that is what Del. Metzgar is attempting, to further control women like it is 1921 or something. That's about when women started fighting back, and Del. Metzgar should be informed that he will be fought with the same kind of vigor when he puts forth this type of nonsense trying to restrict women's rights to their own bodies. I will say it again GET OUT OF THE UTERUS, and write legislation that actually grants your fellow citizens the writes you so vulgarly quoted in your ridiculous legislation. You don't believe in equal rights to life, you believe in control, power, and dictating what everyone else should do. Women, we're not here for that. Get with the times, or get out of the way. This legislation shouldn't even be given a first reader, nor be taken seriously. Govern your own body and stay out of ours!

Thank you. Adiena C. Britt 6014 Old Harford Rd. Baltimore, MD 21214