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Dear Members,

My name is Rosa. I am one of the many women who made a wrong decision in life because of being scared. I would like to tell you my story about why I support HB1198. I hope this will show how you can help many different people who are facing the same problem.

I was in the middle of a separation with my ex-husband. On the day I moved to my new apartment, I found out that I was pregnant with my third child. At that moment, I did not understand why God would send me another child in this situation, while I was moving into a new apartment with my 2 kids. I did not have enough money. I was behind on my bills, and I was going to court with my ex-husband. So I decided to go to an abortion clinic. I still remember what a scary place it was. The nurse did an ultrasound and told me that I was 8 weeks pregnant. She said that week was my last opportunity to get an abortion by using pills. The doctor told me to take one pill in front of him and take the other pills the next day to have the abortion.

Two hours after I took the first pill, I started vomiting. The next day I had to go to the ER because I felt so bad. I called my husband and he came to the hospital. That is when he found out that I was 8 weeks pregnant and that I had started an abortion the day before. At the hospital, they told me that I have to finish the abortion. There is nothing anyone could do to help me. So we Googled about how to stop the abortion and found the Annapolis Pregnancy Clinic. They have Abortion Pill Reversal. We drove for 1 hour with the 2 kids to the clinic. All the staff was super friendly. They started to help me and explain everything about that pill. I made the best decision to start the reverse abortion. After the ultrasound, I started bleeding. I had to go by ambulance to the hospital. The doctors there told me the same thing I had been told before. They said I needed to finish the abortion. But I already knew that wasn't true. The nurse and Joy were calling us to check how I was doing. After they discharged me from the hospital, we went back to the Annapolis Pregnancy Clinic, and we started the process to reverse the abortion pill. I did the whole process trying to save my baby, and thanks to God, my daughter is a healthy girl. When she was born she weighed 8 lbs. and 9 oz. and her length was 21.5 inches. She is a healthy girl. I'm blessed for making the right decision to have my daughter. I feel grateful to the Annapolis Pregnancy Clinic for all their help. I hope they can continue help other women like me that are so scared that they almost make a huge mistake by deciding to have an abortion.

When I heard about a bill that would protect women from taking this medication without understanding everything that it involves, I thought it might help you to hear my story. It is too easy to get an abortion just because you feel scared. Women need to be protected from making a hasty decision without enough information about what this medication really does to them and to their babies. They need more access to life saving services and more support and help when they are pregnant at a difficult time. Please pass this bill so that women can get the right kind of help when they need it. I support this bill and I ask you to vote for it.

Thank You,  
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