OPPOSTION TESTIMONY TO HB 1171 -- Enshrining Abortion in MD's Constitution

I urge the Maryland General Assembly to OPPOSE HB 1171, which would enshrine abortion in Maryland's Constitution. There is no need for a Constitutional amendment. Maryland is already one of the most abortion-permissive stat es in the nation and even if the United States Supreme Court were to strike down the current federal standard for abortions, the laws in states like Maryland would remain in effect.

Every person is created in the image and likeness of God and all life should be protected and respected from concept ion to natural death. Maryland and every other state needs to support women and their children through life-affirming healthcare and practical resources that address basic needs and help them and us embrace the gift of life.