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I am pastor Luke J. Robinson of the Quinn Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church and I write this letter in opposition to House Bill 1171, Entitled, Declaration of Rights – Right to Reproductive Liberty.

This Bill impacts the life of all children in the womb. And it especially impacts the lives of African American and other minorities. From history, I understand that Black people were sold on the slave block because they were defined by others as less than Human and they were in the hands of their so-called owner to be disposed of as the owner desired for profit or for whatever reason. Children in the womb are now defined as less than Human and are given to the abortion industry that sells their human heart, human eyes, and human body parts for profit. This, like slavery of old, is a similar crime against humanity. Abortion in the African American community is extremely devastating to our survival. Abortion is **the number one killer** of African Americans. Nothing kills African Americans more than Abortion! If it were not for abortion, African Americans would still be the largest minority in this country. We are dying and they are lying! They talk about the right to reproductive Liberty, but where is the right to reproductive liberty for the baby Human in the womb? How can we say that Black lives matter when Maryland State legislators want to enact this amendment to the state constitution that allows for the **killing of children on demand**? It is a greater tragedy when even Black legislators are abandoning our community for this “house of horrors”! Why don’t we take the public money that we spend to kill babies and support organizations that support life and pregnancy care?

If HB1171, is enacted into the Maryland Constitution, it will further destroy the moral value of life in our nation by supporting the genocide of African Americans. It will put in place the right of freedom of speech to be denied to those who oppose this horrible death procedure. And many more women will be suffering from post-abortion syndrome.

On the other hand, we must hold our legislators responsible for their actions!

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