## March 30, 2022

## To the Honorable Members of the Maryland Legislature:

I am writing to express serious concern and dismay regarding HB1171.

The passing of this bill will open the floodgates for sexual abuse of all minors as it will remove any legal constraints for perpetrating these actions against children. This bill will also turn the great state of Maryland, with funding from the tax-paying citizens, into a haven for those seeking abortion to destroy the children conceived by these sexual acts. This, as well as the ability to obtain transgender surgery, will all be possible without consent of the parents of these affected minors! These same minors cannot vote nor drive nor purchase cigarettes or alcohol but they can have chemicals/surgery to alter themselves without involvement of their parents who will be left to manage the aftermath.

This bill does not improve the state of Maryland nor improve the quality of life for citizens. This bill gives approval and funding for continued abuse of those whom we are bound as humanity to protect; our young, our future.

This bill is cleverly, even cunningly, named Reproductive Liberty but I ask, liberty for whom? Liberty for those who enjoy engaging in sex with children? Liberty for those who have no issues with destroying life and maiming children who do not have the maturational ability to make life-changing decisions? Please be aware that this bill does not offer liberty. Quite conversely, it offers license for those seeking satisfaction for themselves and it offers pain, destruction and loss of life for their victims. It only offers liberty from law!

The passage of this bill passes accountability for the disastrous results to you as well to the minority who will "benefit" by it. In reality, however, everyone looses with the passage of this bill.

Respectfully and Sincerely,

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