March 29, 2022

Re: HB1171 Declaration of Rights – Right to Reproductive Liberty

To Whom It May Concern:

Words cannot accurately or completely express my disappointment with HB1171. It seems that the authors of this bill seek to destroy life and everything beautiful and pure about the family. This bill seeks to reverse statutory rape laws and age of consent laws and would make it impossible to sue an adult for having intercourse with a minor and even a pre-pubescent minor - a child at any age. It does not specify, nor mention age parameters, which would leave it open-ended and more dangerous. Society will fail and Maryland will not prosper in any way if you allow this to pass. She will not be blessed but bring about her own demise. This bill promotes abortion, sex at any age with any one and it would force Maryland's citizens to pay for abortions for anyone, from anywhere outside of the state, that travels specifically for that purpose of ending a life, a generation and the destruction of families. Maryland's reputation and future are at stake. Reproductive rights are God-given and should never be taken lightly or tampered with. Id Sincerely,

B. Pellegrinoeclare that Maryland will be a state that honors and protects life and that this bill will not pass.