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Committee: Health and Government Operations

Testimony on: HB1171 – Declaration of Rights – Right to Reproductive Liberty

Position: Favorable

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Bill Contact: Delegate Adrienne Jones

DoTheMostGood (DTMG) is a progressive grass-roots organization with more than 3000 members across all districts in Montgomery County as well as a number of nearby jurisdictions. DTMG supports legislation and activities that keep residents healthy and safe in a clean environment and which promote equity across all our diverse communities.

DTMG strongly supports HB1171 because women have a fundamental right to control what happens to their bodies. Pregnancy has multiple physiologic, emotional, and financial consequences for women, not the least of which is the commitment to caring for another human being for many years. The decision to become pregnant, continue a pregnancy, or terminate a pregnancy must be made by the pregnant person – period. HB1171 will allow Maryland voters to enshrine this right in the Maryland Constitution during the next election in November 2022. This is the right thing to do.

Therefore, DTMG strongly supports HB1171 and urges a **FAVORABLE** report on this bill.

Respectfully submitted,

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