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Chairwoman Joseline A. Pena-Melnyk Health and Government Operations Committee Maryland House of Delegates Room 241 House Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: **OPPOSE** HB 705

Dear Madame Chairwoman and honorable members of the Committee:

Today is our son's birthday. He has Down Syndrome and is a precious, joyful, baby boy. Here is his birthday photo.

Take a good look. If you vote to enshrine abortion on demand for any reason in the Constitution of Maryland, as HB 705 does, you will be voting to put to death millions of babies just like our son.

Why does Sweden have nearly zero Down's Syndrome people? Because of the state genocide in murdering them in the womb.

Science and morality mandate that your beliefs must honor life.



God, the Creator and sustainer of life as we pray every day in opening the House Chamber, commands that we vote for life and oppose genocide. He bound all peoples and governments as Moses wrote: "I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose, that both you and your children may live." – Deuteronomy 30:19

There is no rationale or basis for an amendment to the Maryland Constitution which will prevent the saving of life, no matter what your view on abortion is.

Please vote NO/UNFAVORABLE on HB 705.

Respectfully submitted, Dan Cox, former Delegate & Candidate for Governor Attorney at Law; Chief of Staff for a PA Senate Chairman