

## TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SCR 1613 AND HCR 5019

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As a prolife Kansan I stand in opposition to SR 1613 and HCR 5019. I do so because killing innocent unborn babies is a violation of the Kingship of Our Lord Jesus Christ who created them and who created everyone in this room, in this legislature, and every human being who ever was or ever will be. Value them both is a nice slogan, but slogans will not protect anyone. If this amendment is passed it would devalue both women and children. This is so because it subjects the killing of unborn babies by abortion to a majority vote. Stating that there is no right to abortion does not ban any abortion, it does nothing to protect the life of a single baby.

The contradictory and topsy turvy language of SCR 1615 and HCR 2019 first states that the constitution “does not create or secure a right to abortion” then next says “ the people, through their elected state representatives and state senators, may pass laws regarding abortion”. **Does this not confer on the legislature the right to permit abortion?**

As a prolife Kansan I oppose the so called incremental strategy that this amendment seeks to continue. It is a strategy that has brought us no closer to protecting unborn babies than we were 47 years ago tomorrow. It was an abortion regulation, SB 95, which prompted the Kansas Supreme Court to issue the edict that fabricated a right to liberty that attempts to give mothers the ability to kill their unborn children.

**I am a prolife Catholic and have worked for 50 years to restore legal protection to unborn children, not to protect the right of either presumed prolife leaders or misguided Catholic Bishops to continue a failed political strategy.** I do not doubt the sincerity of those who have pursued efforts to regulate, but do not prohibit abortion. The abortion strategy which has placed regulations on abortion, that have indirectly allowed the existing abortions to stand, but have not directly authorized abortion is wrong. But now we are faced with another dilemma.

The imagined privacy right in Roe v Wade permitted abortion regulations. The Hodes and Nausser v Schmidt decision threatens to outlaw virtually every abortion regulation. Abortion regulators respond today these false resolutions. There is no right to abortion. There is no right to regulate abortion. The only right that human beings have with regard to abortion is to obey the law of God that Thou shalt not kill! No judge, no court, no legislature , no government has the right to enact a law that is contradictory to the law of God.

**SCR 1613 and HCR 5019 are not prolife. They would compound the error of the court. They would subject the killing of some human beings to a majority vote.** Such a measure threatens more than the right to regulate abortion. If the protection of the life of some human beings is subject to the whim of elected politicians, every other vulnerable human could be in danger.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs Pat Goodson