

Dear committee members,

I was born at Wesley Hospital in Wichita KS In 1949. I was born a month early weighing in at 3 lbs. 4 oz. I was in the hospital for a month spending time in an incubator. I had no health problems and am told that as a child I never wanted to stop jumping!

When I became a mom, I had a miscarriage after my first two children. It was dreadful, I had no control as I lost my precious child. I cried and I grieved over that loss. I knew there was nothing I could have done to stop it from happening and yet I grieved. As a Christian I understand I will meet my child in heaven one day. I smile and wonder what he or she looks like!

Now I think of a woman who either by her own choice or by coercion lost a baby to abortion. Oh yes, many women are coerced into an abortion against her will. Either way the pain and anguish she must go through every time she remembers the child she never met must just be awful.

Please help all of us stand up for these women and babies, giving them hope and an opportunity to live and thrive. These children have a right to live and become contributing members of society. There are so many people ready to help them in all kinds of ways through Pregnancy Crisis Centers, adoption, foster care etc. Let's Love Them Both!

Thank you, Linda Baker

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