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LD 780

Senator Carney, Representative Moonen, and Members of the Judiciary Committee,
I'm Katie Giddings, I live in Waldo, and I urge you to vote Ought to Pass on LD 780.

I am the mother of a 9-year-old, and both of us came close to dying when he was born. I developed preeclampsia and required an emergency C-section, after which I was attached to an IV while my baby was in an oxygen tent in the NICU. Though this was traumatic, I am so grateful for the care we both received, and that we survived. I have never wanted to have a second child because I feel the risk is too great that I might not survive a second pregnancy, and would not be here to continue raising my son. This is my reason for wanting abortion care to be a guaranteed right, but each person with a uterus has their own stories and reasons, and each of us should be free to make this choice for ourselves. Abortion is life-saving medical care, and should be considered a human right.

Please vote Ought to Pass on LD 780. Thank you.