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In-Person Testimony of Kevin Tordoff

Sen. Carney, Rep. Kuhn, and members of the Judiciary Committee -

Good morning, my name is Kevin Tordoff, and I am the Chief Marketing Officer and Chief Impact Officer at Americans United for Life. I reside in Old Orchard Beach, Maine

I urge your support of H.P. 759 and H.P. 654. (LD 1007 and 1154)

First, women deserve to know that when their preborn child is diagnosed with a life-limiting condition, they can access compassionate perinatal palliative care for their child.

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists treats information about perinatal palliative care as an essential component of informed consent for women when facing these heartbreaking diagnoses.

And studies show that most parents who chose perinatal palliative care were happy to have the chance to meet their child, even though it was for a short period of time. In fact, studies show that most women chose perinatal palliative care when it was presented as an option to them.

Perinatal palliative care can include grief and bereavement counseling for mothers and families, individualized medical treatment for mothers and their children, and even support for funeral arrangements and memorial services after the child passes.

Second, women deserve to know that if they regret taking mifepristone, there may be a chance to reverse its effects under care of a medical professional and continue their pregnancy.

Heartbeat International, who operates the Abortion Pill Reversal Hotline, estimates that over 6,000 babies have been born using the abortion pill reversal protocol. Abortion pill reversal is safe, as it involves taking progesterone to counteract the effects of mifepristone.

For these reasons, I ask you to support H.P. 759 and H.P. 654. (LD 1007 and 1154)

Thank you.

Following my testimony I was asked a question to follow-up with more information on the Abortion Pill Reversal Hotline. Here is that detail:

The Abortion Pill Reversal hotline, available at 1-877-558-0333 or via their website abortionpillreversal.com, offers support and information for individuals who regret taking the first abortion pill (mifepristone) and seek to potentially reverse the abortion process.

What it is:

The Abortion Pill Reversal hotline, operated by the Abortion Pill Rescue Network, is a resource for individuals who have taken the first abortion pill (mifepristone) but are considering reversing the process before taking the second pill (misoprostol).

How it works:

The hotline connects individuals with medical professionals who can assess the situation and, if appropriate, initiate a reversal process using progesterone to counteract the effects of mifepristone.

Contact Information:

Hotline: 1-877-558-0333

Website: abortionpillreversal.com

Key Points:

- The sooner you contact the hotline, the better the chances of a successful reversal.
- The hotline can provide information about the abortion pill reversal process, the

abortion pill itself, and all pregnancy options.

- The Abortion Pill Rescue Network is a 24/7 resource for immediate abortion pill reversal treatment.
- They can connect you with a doctor or medical provider in your area to begin APR treatment if you decide to move forward.

Success Rate:

While the success rate of abortion pill reversal is not guaranteed, studies have shown a 64-68% success rate when treatment was started within a few days of taking the pill.