

SJR 4 Written Testimony

Dear Senators,

Hello. I am a resident of Ester, AK at 429 Lower Stone Road. I oppose SJR 4 and I would like to request that you oppose it as well. Access to abortion care is fundamental and to eliminate that access is unconstitutional and inhumane.

I hope you will take this into account. Thank you for your time.

Best,

Jessie Doble

Dear Legislators,

With all due respect, I appreciate the right that each of you have in deciding your own health decisions involving your own bodies. I know many people find abortion a horrifying act, akin to murder. Yet my question would be, have any of YOU faced an unwanted pregnancy, or a pregnancy that has become life-threatening, or one that has resulted from rape or incest? If you have, and yet you chose to lovingly give birth and assure a loving upbringing for that child, that you should surely have every right to do so. But if you were emotionally fragile, with a lack of a healthy support system, teetering on the edge of your very own existence, you doubt you would want to be FORCED to carry on with an act that wrecks havoc on your life and even on the potential life you carry.

The main reason I stand with those women is that I have been one of them. Further, my grandmother suffered greatly due to an illegal abortion performed on her mother. Poor German immigrants living in Washington D.C. decided that a fourth child could not be provided for and an abortion was performed. My great-grandmother suffered greatly and yet my great-grandfather would not have medical care called for due to the nature of the act. She died, and my grandmother was left with her other two siblings to the care of an uncle. Treated like second-hand children, my grandmother suffered sexual abuse that she endured to protect her younger siblings. She did survive and thrive, but it left a great scar on her and subsequently on her child, my mother, through emotional neglect. If the abortion had been legal and safe, such distress would not have been placed on my grandmother, her siblings and passed on to my mother.

Please take a look at other countries who have outlawed abortions. You will see much suffering and evil, the very thing you think you are avoiding. Remember Romania, where women were abandoning children by the hundreds, filling orphanages with unwanted children? In other countries since, making abortion illegal has not lead to a less-barbaric society as you claim in your statement. I believe history shows that it is best to allow a society where families are supported to make the best decisions in the privacy of their own homes with their own medical providers. We must always side with personal rights and freedoms, even if we don't personally agree.

Respectfully.

Beverly Churchill

Dear Senator Hughes (Shelley):

I support SJR4 and agree this should go to a vote of the people of Alaska. Thank you for sponsoring this Resolution for a Constitutional Amendment to protect life!

Sincerely,
Doug

Doug Isaacson

Dear Senators,

I am writing in opposition to SJR 4. Thank you for taking the time to read my testimony.

I am an elder in our community. During my lifetime have been a teacher, a vocational and academic counselor, an administrator, and an employment and training counselor. I have seen first hand the challenges women experience in trying to live out their lives, to fulfill their hopes, to exercise self determination. The playing field is fraught with obstacles designed to limit women's success: inequity in pay, inequity in opportunity, social bias, laws prohibiting the exercise of self-determination and personal liberties. SJR 4, an amendment currently entertained by our Alaska legislature, is an arcane and reactionary suppression of women's freedom.

During my lifetime women have made huge strides; nevertheless, they still struggle for determination over their own bodies, still fight for equal rights, still remain under the oppression of repressive politics. As a girl of 19 I had to have my father's approval for birth control pills. I was suffering from endometriosis. The doctor could not prescribe without my father's permission. As I grew older there were women I knew who had been forcibly assaulted and could not obtain an abortion without either their husband or father's approval. And today we still have old white men and their minions with the objective of amending the constitution to codify women as chattel. Limiting the status of women to second class citizenship, depriving them of self-determination via a constitutional amendment is a death rattle from a reactionary male-dominated culture loosing grasp on power.

Individual rights and freedom go to the heart of who we are as Alaskans. Lawmakers must reject SJR 4. All citizens deserve the opportunity to control our lives at the most basic level: our bodies, our families, and our self determination.

I opposed SJR 4. As do 80% of Alaskans. Thank you for reading my testimony.

Tikkun Olam,

Jan Carolyn Hardy

Public Comment,

- In 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade ruling forced abortion-on-demand down our nation's throat. At that time, the unborn were not scientifically considered "human". Since then, science has proven the uniqueness of the human baby and not a generalized random life-form (remember the national geographic article incorrectly showing a baby with gills like a fish in its early stages)
- Never once did the Supreme Court declare abortion itself to be a constitutional right. Instead the Supreme Court said, "We need not resolve the difficult question of when life begins . . . the judiciary at this point in the development of man's knowledge is not in a position to speculate as to the answer." Then the High Court made this key admission: "If this suggestion of personhood is established, the appellant's case [i.e., "Roe" who sought an abortion], of course, collapses, for the fetus' right to life is then guaranteed specifically by the [14th] Amendment."
- The fact is, the 14th Amendment couldn't be clearer: ". . . nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty or property, without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the law."
- As an Alaskan citizen I DO NOT SUPPORT DEPRIVING any person of life, liberty or property, to include in the womb of a mother. Furthermore I adamantly oppose the support of ANY federal funding being used towards this hideous atrocity towards a unborn child.

Respectfully,

David Cvancara

Dear Alaskan Senators:

I most wholeheartedly ask you to support passage of SJR4, legislation to protect the rights of the unborn in Alaska.

Time and again the Court has not been neutral or fair regarding the issue of abortion. We, the people, should have our say on this matter. Our say comes through legislation, which now resides with you in the Senate, not the courts. We are asking for reasonable regulation of abortion in Alaska that will be in the best interest of women and the unborn.

I thank you for hearing this request and standing for unborn lives in Alaska.

JoAnne Meckstroth

I support SJR4, as do a majority of my fellow Alaskans; please represent your constituents' interests and do so as well.

Steve Kolb

Anchorage, AK

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Wendy Cleveland

Writing to support ProLife, hearing the cries of our unborn children...

~Angelique Oliveira

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Greetings from Sterling Alaska Precinct 190, Robert Wall here, I strongly support SJR 4. Please pass this legislation.

Respectfully, Robert Wall

I am writing asking you to support SJR4. The court has abused its power by manufacturing a right for abortion in our state constitution that does not exist.

Most Sincerely,
Linda L. Hill

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my support and urge you to pass SJR-4

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Reasonable regulation of abortion is in the best interest of Alaskan women, teens, and the unborn!

I urge you to pass SJR-4.

Respectfully,

Gabrielle Satterfield

Anchorage, AK

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Carol Ann Martin

As a concerned citizen I am letting you know
that I support SJR4.

Please vote accordingly.

Please do all you can to represent us
with integrity.

Thank you

Ruth Percy

Wasilla

Alaska

No more killing babies.

Betty Nickels

I completely support SJR4! Life begins at conception, not at some later time convenient to a pregnant woman's choosing. Abortion is murder and is the greatest evil of our time. We must stop it now.

Please pass SJR4.

Helen Ogle
Nikiski, Alaska

I realize I'm too late for this.

However, for whatever it's worth, I support SJR4, because it has the potential to provide more adoption opportunities for those of us who've not been able to get pregnant, and whose only means of even having children, is through adoptions.

To protect human life, nothing in the Alaska constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion.

It's just plain wrong for those of us who've paid "up the nose" for private adoptions to be subjected to government funds being used for abortions. It's like forcing us to pay even MORE money to have adoption opportunities stolen away from us! That's just totally messed up!

The government shouldn't be involved. There needs to be a MUCH MORE level playing field. For example: If a pro-life group like HeartReach can function on donations, then so can Planned Parenthood, and then it won't cost the state a dime during a time when state money is so very tight due to COVID-19 issues.

Thank you so very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Julie Baird

Wasilla

Dear Sir,

I am writing in support of SJR 4. Abortion is killing a child. Who knows if we have killed the child that could have found the cure for cancer. Every life is sacred.

Lavern Davidhizar D.O.

I support SJR4 and the Senate Judiciary Committee should too.

Clyde Marcellus

I support the SJR4 bill and ask you to pass this bill.

Thank you

James Jolin

I support Bill Sj R4. Individuals have choice to make. Life or death of a child. It is a personal choice. No courts have given individuals a right to abortion (killing the baby) . The U. S. CONSTITUTION does not give women a right to decide to have a abortion .

Thank you Melisa Wharton

Hello Senators,

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>> Please support SJR4 that says there is NOT a right to abortion in our AK constitution. This is a matter that should be decided by the people not the courts. This is an important and clarifying bill that needs to be move forward.

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C DAVID PHILLIPS

>> Anchorage, AK

I would like to support SJR 4. I agree and this should go to a vote by the people of Alaska. My name is Carol Mikos and I am a registered voter in Anchorage Alaska.

The lives of our Alaskan children matter. Unborn children are lives that matter. I support legislation that protects the unborn.

I support SJR4 a bill that clarifies abortion in the state of Alaska is not a right.

Sincerely,

Sheryl L. Beck

Dear Legislators,

I support SJR 4 completely. Please uphold the stand out state has taken in protecting the lives of unborn babies.

Thank you

Dawn Frazier

Delta Junction, AK

I support this SJR4 bill.

Diana Kuest

Please support this bill and protect innocent life. Life is a gift from God and Governments are instituted to protect that life.

Sincerely,

Rusty Rubeck

Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee of the Alaskan Legislature,

I am writing today in opposition of SJR4 about abortion funding.

People in Alaska are often proud of being able to live their lives in relative peace. The belief that the Government shouldn't dictate what we do or don't with our bodies is part of just one of the many parts of our values. Amending our Constitution to keep people from receiving care is not part of it.

Access to abortion and post abortion care are part of Health Care. Access to a safe and judgement free abortion is a right that all women should have, and the person making the decision should allow who **they** want as support.

- Maria Capezio

Anchorage, District N27

Dear Senators of the Judiciary Committee,

It is clear from your video of your 4/16/21 public hearing that some, including SJR 4's sponsor Senator Hughes, who are concerned about abortions are people who believe that life begins at conception.

Therefore those that believe that concept, need to spend their time and energy supporting legislation that would address the root cause of abortions.

The root cause of abortions are a result of a penis penetrating a vagina. So it seems logical to regulate those who have a penis. Penis owners should have to get signed permission of the vagina owner prior to penetration and ejaculation of his sperm. If the penis owner is a minor, the penis owner would need the signed consent of his legal parents. If the vagina owner is a minor, the penis owner also needs the signed consent of her legal parents. The consent forms will be legally binding agreements committing the penis owner to provide financial support of the vagina owner and any child or children resulting from such penetration fertilizing an egg or eggs of the vagina owner. Therefore the parties involved will know their commitment to a potential fetus ahead of time.

Many other items will need to be addressed such as how many agreements can be allowed by each penis owner and how frequent. Also, it will be important to establish government offices where all such agreements are filled prior to any potential fetus being formed. For safety, penis owners may have to be tested regularly.

For transparency, let there be a public notice of all those who seek to be elected to public service of all such consent agreements that have involved minors.

Until such time as this root cause is addressed, by your committee, I encourage you to withdraw SJR 4 and spend the public's money in ways that will help Alaskans and support everyone's freedom and rights.

Sincerely,

Diann Darnall

My Name is Jerome Mikos, and I am a registered voter in the Municipality of Anchorage. I would like to express my support for SJR4. I agree that this should go to a vote by the citizens of Alaska. Protect Life.

I strongly support SJR4. Please do the same.

Judiciary Committee,

The Declaration of Independence states we have the unalienable right to life. That includes all Americans at any age and any stage of development.

There are clear prohibitions against taking any life that isn't justifiable, accidental and is intentional, which we call murder.

Alaska legislation passed to prevent the state from funding abortions. Governor signed it. A judge illegally made case law contrary to the Legislature's intent.

You have the authority to ignore and rectify any judge's decision which goes against the law of the land and legal legislative law. The judge's job is to determine if the law is constitutional, not invent his own rules. There's a process to get rid of activist judges who decide contrary to the law. Use it!

There can be no excuse to allow murder.

Tom Braund

Sutton, Alaska

I concur that NO PERSON shall be deprived of life, liberty, property, or the pursuit of happiness without due process of the law from the moment of conception to the natural end of life. Life is sacred and should be protected and cherished. Thank you for hearing my voice on this critical matter.

Ms. Andie Rice North Pole, Alaska

Can't find any right to abortion in our constitution.

Michael Miller

Dear Senate Judiciary Committee Members,

We strongly support SJR 4.

Reasonable regulation of abortion is in the **best interest** of women and the unborn, and that is best provided for by not fabricating a Constitutional “right” that does not exist.

Thank you.

Mark

Mark D. Anderson SE

Good morning,

I am writing to express my support for SJR4 currently being considered in committee.

Nathan Moses

I fully support this bill and the rights of unborn children.

Very disappointed that any of our state legislators would listen to an organization founded on the genocide of black children like Planned Parenthood. Time to get them out of the business of killing babies.

I vote, pay taxes and support freedom.

Yours,

Robert Bray

To whom it may concern,

I am writing today to ask that you support SJR4. Abortion should not be made legal and Alaskan taxpayers should not have to pay for choosing to kill a baby because that is what it is. Life is valuable, life is important. Those babies do not have a voice so I hope that I can help be a voice for them they have a right as well. As a mother of five I value children's lives.

Thank you for supporting SJ are for and valuing life!

Jamie Robinson
Anchorage

I support SJR4 as I believe our state constitution does not state that abortion is a right. - Tony Box

To Alaska State Senate Judiciary Committee:

I, Francis Cruise of Anchorage, Alaska, support the SJR4 bill and urge you to do the same!

The court has abused its power by manufacturing a right to abortion in our state constitution that does not exist!

Please vote in favor of SJR4!

Respectfully,

Francis Cruise

To Whom it May Concern:

Please accept this e-mail as my statement of unwavering support for SJR 4. Each child saved who lives to breathe and become all they can be as a result of this bill will be eternally thankful. Every person that ever developed an answer to one of life's woes, that brokered an international peace deal, or led a country to greatness was given the opportunity to live. It is time to put the brakes on the carnage that is abortion. It goes against everything Godly and American.

Best Regards,

Gabriel Johnson

I support SJR4

Lawrence Johnson

Hello,

I am a resident of Alaska, district 28, seat N.

I want to voice my support for SJR 4. In our pursuit of happiness we're not allowed to kill people. This violates their right to life. We have many choices & freedoms, but they end when they threaten to take someone's life. Abortion crosses this line. Abortion is the deliberate and intentional taking of human life. It is not healthcare. It is not a right. It is morally and constitutionally wrong. I support any resolution that protects the constitutionally promised right to life for all people.

To Alaska State Senate Judiciary Committee:

I, Suzanne Fox of Anchorage, Alaska, support the SJR4 bill!

The court has abused its power by manufacturing a right to abortion in our state constitution that does not exist!

Please vote in favor of SJR4!

Respectfully,

Suzanne Fox

I support SJR 4.

You all passed legislation to prevent the state from funding abortions, the governor signed it, and some judge decided to do his own law-making from the bench. It makes no sense !' Unless you are going to nullify judicial orders that unconstitutionally permit murder, this bill appears to be necessary to stop them from misusing 'privacy' to excuse infanticide.

Thank you,

Rena Johnson

I support this bill and I hope you will too Thank you Sherri R Jackson

Dear Senate Judiciary:

We are in support of the protection of human life in the womb and outside of the womb.

NOTHING in this Constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to abort/kill a preborn child

OR require the State of Alaska to fund such an horrific act.

We are in SUPPORT OF SJR4.

Respectfully,

Scott and Tamera English

Anchorage, Alaska

To all concerned,

We, Dan and Linda Pavey, are in support of the original language in our constitution in regards to abortion.

"To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

We fully support SJR4.

Dan and Linda Pavey

To Whom It May Concern:

SJR4 does not specifically make abortion illegal, but it will put the power of decision in the hands of Alaskans so that no court or other entity will be able to mute the voices of those who believe that abortion may not be the right course of action for every individual under any circumstance. In the language of the bill it states: "To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

Pass this common sense bill for the parents of minors who remain powerless and uninformed about the dangers of their unborn grandchildren.

Pass this bill for the mothers and fathers who will be forced to live with the grief of this decision for the rest of their lives.

Pass this bill for the trafficked sex slaves or children being molested who are being coerced into abortions by people more powerful.

Pass this bill for the thousands of pro-life Alaskans of faith who do not want their voices to be silenced or their tax dollars going to fund something they believe to be immoral.

Pass this bill for the mothers and fathers longing to adopt a child that is yet unborn.

Please pass this bill for the smallest and quietest future members of our great state of Alaska.

Give us Alaskans our voices back when it comes to what we deem most valuable in our State.

The US Constitution protects life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Not the protection of death, secrets, and the pursuit of pain.

Sincerely,

Marla Rowland

Palmer, Alaska

I support this bill to protect the unborn.
Thank you,
Shannon Johnson

I support SJR4 for the sanctity of life.

Darrell Randall

I **fully support** SJR4. This bill is to protect innocent life, strengthen parental rights or prevent Alaskans from having to subsidize elective abortions.

Jean Kassube

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Ms. Andie Rice North Pole, Alaska

I very much support SJR 4 legislation.

Thank You,

Phil Holbrook

Delta Jct. AK

To the Senate Judiciary Committee,

There is nothing in our constitution that supports murder of innocent life. Abortion is murder of innocent life. Please support SJR4!

Janice Muntean

Anchorage AK

Please add your support for SJR 4 as this is my choice. To protect human life, nothing should be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion.

W. D. McKinney

I am in support of SJR4. Especially concerning the abortion issue.

From my experience working with teenage girls, too many teens think abortion is another birth control and so they are careless about protective sex. If one chooses to have an abortion, then they should pay for it. I understand there are certain situations but to cover all abortions isn't what I support.

Thank you for reading this,

Glynn Strabel

I am writing to express my support and urge you to pass SJR-4

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Reasonable regulation of abortion is in the best interest of Alaskan women, teens, and the unborn!

I urge you to pass SJR-4.

Respectfully,

Rebecca Crawford

Anchorage, AK

I wholeheartedly support SJR4. We as a society should acknowledge that life begins @ conception and stop the murder of innocent babies. Taking of a life should never be accepted as okay. You may have not heard many voices from the Pro-Life community for whatever reason but it is obvious that this bill would not be before you if not supported by the masses. Please do the right thing.

Respectfully

Linda Perkins

I encourage passage of SJR4. Life is precious. We must protect all life, whether born or within the womb. Please stand for life and pass SJR4.

David Johnston

Please support SJR4. These little babies are precious and deserve to be protected by those able to do it.
Thank you!

Kathleen Brooker

Dear Alaska Senate Judiciary Committee,

I support SJR4 and urge you to support it as well. As an Alaskan resident and mother of 4, I recognize the value of life and that it is worth fighting for and protecting. We do not have a right to abortion. In the US Constitution, in the 14th amendment, it states that the States cannot deprive any person the right of life, liberty or property. Alaska is a state and a fetus is a person. Sounds pretty simple and not complicated when you say it like that, doesn't it?

Thank you so much for supporting SJR4! Future Alaskan citizens appreciate the opportunity to be born!

Sincerely,

Sarah Phillips
Anchorage AK

Dear members of the Senate Judiciary Committee,

I am writing today to support SJR4. As a pro-life Alaskan, it is incumbent upon me to voice my support for legislation that affirms the right to life that we are each afforded. While this legislation may not be the end result I wish and pray for (i.e. the total and complete end to state sanctioned murder of innocent children), I see it as a way for Alaska's lawmakers to continue pushing this most critical issue. We must, at every turn, do everything we can to protect and defend the weakest and most vulnerable of Alaskans. My prayer is that the passage of this legislation would create a momentum that would finally bring about the end of abortion in Alaska.

Sincerely,
Haylee Kurka
District 7, Wasilla Alaska

I am emailing in support of SJR 4. Legislation was passed to prevent the state from funding abortion and the Governor signed it into law. Don't allow the legislative process be nullified.

Simon Johnson

I support SrJ4. Individuals have choice to make. Life or death of a child. It is a personal choice. No courts have given individuals a right to abortion (killing the baby) . The U. S. CONSTITUTION does not give women a right to decide to have a abortion .

Thank you Melisa Wharton

No where in our State Constitution is it stated that there is a right to an abortion or that the State is required to fund abortions. Please support SJR4.

Thank you,
Davida Ahlgren

To all of you who work so diligently for the citizens of Alaska,

I support SJR 4 in the goal of insuring the chance for life that includes those yet unborn.

Thank you for your consideration.

Rachel Holbrook

We support bill SJR 4 for the right to life. --

Heather Poe RD, LD

Please support SJR4. Alaskans needs to support the right to life, not right to kill and unborn child. I urge and request your support for this basic human right.

Thank you,

Callie Bray

Anchorage, AK

Please support SJR4. Alaskans need to support right to life, not the right to kill an unborn child. I strongly urge and request your support for this basic human right.

Thank you,

Suzan Bray

Anchorage

Please don't vote to put state funds towards abortion.

Why not put the funds towards cancer treatments, if you guys feel compelled to spend funds on things that don't boost the economy or fix our immediate situation?

Heck, use it to hire lobbyists to get the feds to open drilling back up.

In short, do something useful with the money.

Sincerely

Jen and Jesse Evans

I agree that my tax money should NOT fund abortion!! Protect our future. Those babies should have the right to live outside of the womb. They deserve to experience the gift of life just as their mothers have been afforded.

Sincerely, R. Riley

Please know that I am IN FAVOR of SJR4.

Liz Chase

To the Alaska Senate Judiciary Committee -

I urge your support of SJR4. Human life is precious at all stages, and there is nothing in the Alaska constitution that grants any person the right to take the life of another.

Shirley Johnston

Anchorage

I wish to go on record in support of SJR4. This resolution will help protect the lives of our state's most vulnerable, the unborn.

Sincerely,

Denise Hall

Sterling, AK

Yesterday, AFC's highest legislative priority, SJR4, a bill clarifying there isn't a right to abortion in our State Constitution, received mostly opposition from Planned Parenthood and other pro-abortion activists.

We need to show the Senate Judiciary Committee that Alaskans support SJR 4 and that the Court has abused its power by manufacturing a right to abortion in our State Constitution that does not exist.

I support SJR 4,
Christopher Daniel Thatcher

TODAY, April 17. 2021 4:00pm

RE : SJR4 legislation

I have read and read the states information on tnis bill SRJ4 I'm requesting for you to receive my vote of YES

And put me down in support: "To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

Thank you very much for your time

Cyndi Saunders

Please support SJR 4. Human life starts at conception. We have to stop the killing and funding of terminating life.

Ed Oberts

I support SJR4 and request for you to do the same. It is time we stop killing our most vulnerable citizens.

Robert J McMorrow, Sr

I believe in protecting the babies who are unborn. We should not be funding abortion by public funds

Thank you for hearing me

Michael k fuller

Please support the amending of 00 Senate Joint Resolution No. 4. State funds should not go towards funding abortions. Please support this proposed ammendment being placed before the voters of our State in the next general election.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Anita L. LeDoux

Kenai, Ak

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of Senator Shelley Hughes' proposed SJR 4 Abortion Amendment. We need this amendment to pass, so that it can be voted on by the people. Our elected officials represent 'We the people' and it is only right that this be put before the people to vote on.

The unborn, who have no voice, are depending on us to be a voice for them. To think that their precious lives are dispensable for the sake of convenience is incomprehensible. To feel that a woman's body is her own and she should have the right to choose, when an innocent baby created in the image of God is being ripped from it's mother's womb in the most horrific way, I ask what about this precious one who has been given no choice?

I absolutely agree with the following excerpt from the SJR 4 Amendment:

“To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion.”

To think that my tax dollars may be used to fund abortions in the State of Alaska when I am vehemently opposed to child sacrifice is deplorable and unconscionable. I implore the Judiciary Committee to do the right thing and pass this amendment.

Standing In Support,

Jackie Williams

Do here by support and approve Senate Joint Resolution No. 4

Regards,

John Bounds

I fully support SJR 4 and urge you to do all you can do to pass this crucial bill!

Thank you, Bethel Holbrook

We are imploring you to wisely protect our unborn life in Alaska by supporting :
"To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

In the blatant inconsistencies of our totalitarian culture at this time, our government mandates we wear a MASK but many are wanting to allow unborn babies to be killed - so bizarre and inconsistent with LIFE!
Please do all in your power to protect not only the unborn but the conscience of those of us who desire to live above the culture of selfishness and death.

Thank you!

Kathy Erickson

Anchorage, AK

I support this effort and believe it will keep the courts from shedding more innocent blood of unborn babies. Please support this agenda and keep the courts from overstepping their constitutional boundaries.

Thank you!
Janice Williams

Dear Senate Judiciary Committee,

We are in support of SJR4, and believe that our state constitution does not guarantee a “right” to kill an unwanted life.

As this bill states: "To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

Thank you for listening and acting to protect the most vulnerable of human lives,

Barbara & John Kagerer

My Name is Jerome Mikos, and I am a registered voter in the Municipality of Anchorage. I would like to express my support for SJR4. I agree that this should go to a vote by the citizens of Alaska. Protect Life.

ALL lives matter!

Joanne Klaver

Dear Senate Judicial Committee,

I believe that it is of the utmost importance for you to support SJR4.

Human lives matter. We all have the right for our voices to be heard. The unborn however do not have voices. They desperately need responsible people to defend them.

Please support SJR4.

Sincerely,
Gillianne Bennett
Eagle River AK

I want to voice my support for SJR 4. In our pursuit of happiness we're not allowed to kill people. This violates their right to life. We have many choices & freedoms, but they end when they threaten to take someone's life. Abortion crosses this line. Abortion is the deliberate and intentional taking of human life. It is not healthcare. It is not a right. It is morally and constitutionally wrong. I support any resolution that protects the constitutionally promised right to life for all people.

Emily Tulip

I'm in support of sjr4. We need to protect life!

Bill Wood

To the Senate Judiciary Committee,

Thank you for serving our state and your constituents, I am thankful for your time and energy that you put into your jobs and for serving your communities.

I am writing to you today to voice my **support** for SJR4.

Thank you,

Brandy Payne

Anchorage, AK

We support the SJR 4, we urge you to pass this bill.

Kathleen Haley

I would like to support SJR 4. I agree and this should go to a vote by the people of Alaska. My name is Carol Mikos and I am a registered voter in Anchorage Alaska.

I believe this resolution goes a long way towards protecting Alaska's most vulnerable, the unborn, therefore, I wish to go on record in support of SJR4.

Sincerely,
Kevin Hall

Sterling, Alaska

As a pro-life Alaskan, I support Senate Joint Resolution 4. I will always stand to protect human life. Please vote in favor of protecting and preserving life. I do not want to fund the atrocities of murder.

The court has abused its power by manufacturing a right to abortion in our State Constitution that does not exist.

Vote YES in support of SJR4!

Thank you!

Sara Bounds

Registered voter

I would like to voice my agreement with SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4 01 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to abortion.

I do not want state monies used to pay for abortions.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Noreen Sullivan

Hello,

I support SJR4 because the State of Alaska should NOT fund abortion nor does the Alaska constitution protect abortion, and SJR4 seems to clarify both of these facts.

I have been a resident of the Kenai Peninsula for the last 39 years. My husband and I adopted our kids from the Alaska foster care system. We now have 3 beautiful grandkids, all because a birth mom in bad circumstances had the presence of mind to choose life. We're so thankful she did. So should you.

Best! Kathi Overpeck

Please vote in favor of SJF4-it is important to all Alaskans and the future of our society!!!

Sandra Denton MD

To Whom it may concern,

I, Marianne Post, a long time Alaskan and Anchorage resident and small business owner, fully support SJR4. I ask that you please vote in favor of it. We need to protect the lives of the unborn and we must be allowed to make regulation regarding abortion within the State level.

Thank you,

Marianne Post

Honorable Judiciary Committee members,

I am writing now to declare my support of SJR4, and to ask that you do the same. Please do not allow yourselves to be influenced by the likes of Planned Parenthood.

Respectfully,

Stephen Twohy

Eagle River

Greetings;

Please support SJR4. Scripturally, abortion is murder and for adultery and fornication, (the typical causes of abortion) our Lord specifies capital execution. Consequently, anyone who facilitates abortion and/or fornication also carries blood guilt before the Lord. One should be forewarned of eternal consequences for the support of any of these three major sins, abortion (murder), adultery, and fornication.

Sincerely,

Stan and Nikki Welles

To the Alaska State Legislature,

I am writing in strong support of SJR 4. It is appalling that we have spent the last year in such panic over the health and well-being of our state and its peoples, yet continue to disregard the life of the unborn. Are they not due the same protections as the rest of the population? I implore you to please pass SJR4 and protect the lives of these overlooked Alaskans.

Sincerely,
Elaina Roberts
Palmer, Alaska

Hello Senators

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> Please support SJR4 that says there is NOT a right to abortion in our AK constitution. This is a matter that should be decided by the people, not the courts. This is an important and clarifying bill that needs to be moved forward.

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Sincerely,

Dave Phillips

To whom it may concern,

Have you ever thought perhaps why so many problems in this world go unsolved because of so many murdered in the womb? Have you ever thought about Steven Hawking and what if his mother aborted/murdered him and what a tragedy that would have been despite his major physical disabilities? Please support life, because the yet-to-be-born are completely helpless, relying on us to bring them into the world to serve their greater purpose. Be the light, not the dark.

In love and life,

Elaine Hedden, MSPT

Please support life

"To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

I support SJR4 to save lives

Phillip Mielke

Big Lake, AK

Please stop abortion by not wasting your time with SJR 4 but by utilizing the tools you already have:

1. By impeaching rogue judges.
2. By using Art. 1, Sec. 22 of the state constitution where it says, "The **legislature** shall implement this section."
3. By using Art. IV, Sec. 1, where it says, "The jurisdiction of the courts shall be prescribed by law."

With best wishes and hope that you can properly understand the constitutions you have been sworn to uphold.

Bob Bird

Nikiski

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> Thank you,

Judy Phillips
Anchorage, AK

I am writing to you today because I support SJR4. I understand that our Alaska Constitution does not support abortion or the State funding of abortion. Please do vote yes on SJR4!

I live in Soldotna Alaska, and

have lived in Alaska for 45 years. I do not support the stopping of the heartbeats and taking the lives of our most innocent Alaskans, our babies in the womb. Please do vote yes on this bill.

Thank You,

Carol Cooper

Soldotna, Alaska

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to implore my Alaskan representatives to please consider my absolute support of SJR 4, Sen. Shelley Hughes' bill to ask Alaskans to amend the Alaska Constitution to further protect the rights of unborn Alaskans. There is no more important duty we have than to protect unborn Alaskans. It is of the utmost priority to me and I ask you to make it yours as well to see this bill move forward.

Thank You,

Josh Brown

We support SJR4. There is no constitutional right for abortions in the state of Alaska.
Thank you.

The Alaskan Constitution does not have a right to abortion.

Alaskans should not be taxed to pay for abortions.

Support SJR 4.

John Rathbun

Fairbanka AK

To Whom It May Concern,

I hear you have been hit hard by voices opposing this legislation. I want you to know that I strongly support the right of every child to live. Planned Parenthood and those that stand with them are murdering Americans at an unprecedented rate.

How our courts here in the Great State of Alaska can manufacture a "right" to kill is beyond me. You can stop them.

I urge you to support this simple, direct and to the point bill.

Grant Jones

Anchorage, AK

Dear Senate Judiciary members,

I am writing to support Bill SJR 4.
Please vote to support the unborn. Life is precious.
I appreciate your support.

YukL Mielke

My family and I totally support this bill! We are totally "prolife"

The constitution was written to protect life, not give others the right to kill whom they deem unfit! God forgive them and God bless you who cherish all rights to life!! joyce Norman

Keep up the good fight!

My household in Anchorage Alaska strongly supports the provisions of SJR4. We believe the legislature has every right to protect human life and it is their responsibility to see that the majority public clearly Supports human life from inception to birth.

-David Frazier

Dear Senators,

It has come to my attention that you will be considering the merits of the above mentioned item. Please know that many of us having never had the opportunity to vote against elective, legalized abortion are greatly saddened that we are no longer protecting young women, distressed women, or their developing babies in the womb. I spent years working with these women, so I know that abortion does not solve their problem. They always want to rewind the clock and not have become pregnant. But the clock does not rewind; and a dead baby (which is what it always will be in their hearts) only adds to their distress.

When a culture redefines a group or class of human beings as not being human beings or “persons,” history always shows the tragic consequences.

Please know we are counting on you to do the right thing by these voiceless ones. Stand up to the abortion industry that seeks financial profits; protect the innocent. Take a step. Support SJR4.

Thank you for listening.

Judith Cook

Anchorage, AK

I always vote.

Please know that I and many more of us Alaskans SUPPORT this amendment SJR 4!!

I WANT very much to SUPPORT and PROTECT life, and NOT participate in paying for the death of an unborn child.

Thank you,

Thomas L. Brown

Palmer, Alaska

I support SJR 4. Please add this to our constitution.

Please also work on a bill changing how and/or from which a supreme court judge is appointed. The governor should not be limited to the bias of the Alaska Judicial Council. The Alaska Judicial Council is not an elected board, controlled by the will of the people.

Catherine D. Teagarden

Resident of Chugiak, Alaska

Please pass SJR4. The voters of Alaska have made it known that they want to protect the unborn. But an activist judge over-turned it. We need the legislature to change the law to be in step with the will of the Alaskan voters.

Thank you,
Patti Ireland

Please know that many of us Alaskans SUPPORT this amendment SJR 4!!

We WANT very much to SUPPORT and PROTECT life, and NOT participate in paying for the death of an unborn child.

Thank you,

Mary B. Brown

Palmer, Alaska

I support the passage of SJR4. As an Alaskan citizen, practicing Catholic, and the mother of five children (three miscarried, two born), I have prayed continually for an end to abortion. A woman's ability to bring new life into the world is the greatest and most feminine aspect of our femininity. And yet, through the work of Margaret Sanger's organization (the predecessor of Planned Parenthood) and cooperation of the courts, every American has been co-opted into the grave sin of abortion. Even if you are not a Christian, the truth of abortion is evident: it is the destruction of a unique, helpless human life. But it is also the greatest attack on femininity, and a sick inversion of the Founder's true meaning and intent of the 14th Amendment. Our state constitution has been co-opted and used to further implement the holocaust on American children. This was not accomplished in one day, nor in one fell-swoop. It was accomplished through a continual process that spanned decades. Even after abortion was legalized, the anti-life movement continued to expand its effort, through efforts to legalize physician assisted suicide, legalizing the sale of aborted fetal tissue, and enhancing sex-selective abortions and abortions against children with Down Syndrome and other congenital disabilities. SJR4 is one small, but meaningful act in contravention of that effort to destroy the sanctity of human life. This meaningful change to Alaska's constitution will, once and for all, block our corrupt Supreme Court from continuing to interpret abortion as a right assured by our constitution, against any natural reading of the document. Please pass this important amendment.

Donna Celia

I support SJR4.

glenna baca

Please,

Our children and future generations need to know that their lives were and are worth fighting for. I am in SUPPORT of SJR4. We need advancement in pro-life legislation.

If we keep killing innocent babies, what's going to happen to our society? We will continue to ruin our amazing country from the inside out.

God's beautiful gift of human life is one to cherish forever.

Thank you for reading

To whom it may concern,

My name is Jennifer Robinson, I am a constituent in Anchorage and I am writing in my support of SJR4. Life begins at conception and I do not agree with my tax dollars being used to fund abortions that go against everything I believe in. I urge you to support SJR4.

Thank you,

Jennifer Robinson

Dear Senators of the Judiciary Committee,

It is clear from your video of your 4/16/21 public hearing that some, including SJR 4's sponsor Senator Hughes, who are concerned about abortions are people who believe that life begins at conception.

Therefore those that believe that concept, need to spend their time and energy supporting legislation that would address the root cause of abortions.

The root cause of abortions are a result of a penis penetrating a vagina. So it seems logical to regulate those who have a penis. Penis owners should have to get signed permission of the vagina owner prior to penetration and ejaculation of his sperm. If the penis owner is a minor, the penis owner would need the signed consent of his legal parents. If the vagina owner is a minor, the penis owner also needs the signed consent of her legal parents. The consent forms will be legally binding agreements committing the penis owner to provide financial support of the vagina owner and any child or children resulting from such penetration fertilizing an egg or eggs of the vagina owner. Therefore the parties involved will know their commitment to a potential fetus ahead of time.

Many other items will need to be addressed such as how many agreements can be allowed by each penis owner and how frequent. Also, it will be important to establish government offices where all such agreements are filled prior to any potential fetus being formed. For safety, penis owners may have to be tested regularly.

For transparency, let there be a public notice of all those who seek to be elected to public service of all such consent agreements that have involved minors.

Until such time as this root cause is addressed, by your committee, I encourage you to withdraw SJR 4 and spend the public's money in ways that will help Alaskans and support everyone's freedom and rights.

Sincerely,

Diann Darnall

There is no right more foundational than the right to live. No other freedoms and rights matter without the first right to live. For someone else to viciously end the life of the most innocent and helpless of the human population is absolute savagery.

Stefanie Lexington

Valdez, Alaska

We support SJR4. Alaska State funds should not be used to pay for the killing of unborn human beings. The right to privacy should not include the right to kill unborn humans. Human life is sacred and should be protected.

Michael and Dorothy Denison

Kenai Peninsula, District 29

To Whom this may Concern,

The language of the bill could not be more simple and straightforward -

"To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the

State to fund an abortion."

Please don't bring the wrath of God upon us, by letting our State of Alaska be one of the States that funds abortion.

My name is Sondra Maria Ace and I live in Wasilla Alaska.

Thank you for listening.

Sondra Maria Ace

Dear Senate Judiciary Committee,

I am writing you as a concerned citizen of our great state to express my support for Senate Joint Resolution 4 (SJR4).

The purpose of SJR4 is simple: to defend the right of unborn Alaskans to life. The necessity of this resolution is based on the fact that the state judicial system has consistently opposed court-based challenges to the existence of abortion in our state based on non-existent rights to abortion that our state constitution purportedly contains. SJR4 would clearly and succinctly clarify that the constitution does not contain any rights to abortions, any rights to funding from the state government for abortions, and would prevent the judicial branch from legislating from the bench.

I encourage you to wholeheartedly support SJR4 and the right to life of our unborn fellow Alaskans.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Very respectfully,

Isaac Bennett

Eagle River, AK

To whom it may concern,

I am a resident of Nikiski, Alaska and I am in support of SJR4. Please support/approve/pass this legislation.

Thank you

Heidi Diamond

Dear Legislators,

I am speaking in favor of SJR4. Alaskans have already determined that we do not want our state government to pay for abortions. I am fed up with judges that think they can "interpret" the Constitution however they want.. Nowhere in the Constitution does it say that it is a human right to kill an unborn child.

In the Declaration of Independence it says we are guaranteed our unalienable rights given to us by our creator for, "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness". Our government must protect these rights including LIFE of the unborn,

When Roe vs. Wade was first passed it was not intended to be used as "birth control" or when having a baby would be an inconvenience to the would be parents. But that's what it has become. Currently, there are many opportunities for the use of birth control methods so one does not become pregnant. There is a responsibility that comes with being sexually intimate. Killing an unborn child is not the answer.

I urge you to vote in favor of SJR4.

Sincerely,

Leona Oberts

I strongly urge all legislators to support bill SJR4 which will protect and save the lives of unborn children.

Thank you,
Gwen Hufford

Thank you for supporting the reasonable and virtuous sentiment of SJR4. All Alaskan lives matter, especially the defenseless ones. Our State Constitution allows no provision for the allowance or funding of any activity that takes the life of an Alaskan. My family, my friends, and my community support SJR4. Why wouldn't you?

Sándor and Hannah Yager

I am writing to express support for SJR 4. The Alaska State Constitution is silent on the issue of abortion and the Court does not have jurisdiction to invent or infer such a "right."

I want to say that I support SJR 4, because it looks to clarify that the Alaska constitution does not protect abortion or state funding for abortion. Please vote "Yes" on SJR 4.

I am a citizen of Alaska for the past 30 years and have served my country in the US Army. I am a Vietnam ERA veteran and have raised my family here In Alaska.

Thank you!

Elmer Overpeck

I just wanted to state my support of this action. Often we hear a lot in the media about the loss of life of fully grown adults but how can we discuss this and then turn a blind eye to the most defenseless among the human race? I strongly support this legislation SJR4 and hope that people have a conscious to protect innocent life.

Thank you,

Walter

Hello,

Please support SJR4 to protect the life of the mother and the unborn child.

The State of Alaska should not use state funds to pay for abortions.

Thank you,

Debbie Rathbun

Fairbanks, AK 99701

Hi there,

I would like to add my support for SJR 4 to go to the people of Alaska for vote. I stand in support of life and the rights of Alaskans to decide major state issues at the polls—not simply via phone calls or emails or social pressure on politicians.

Thank you,
Monika

Hello and good afternoon, my name is Serene Rose O'Hara-Jolley and I live in Senator Myers's District in Fairbanks.

I strongly oppose SJR 4. Individual rights and freedoms go to the heart of who we are as a state, including the right to access a safe and legal abortion.

I find it abhorrent that some of the same Senators that sponsored this bill in the past believe the government should not have a role in paying for things like schools, ferries, or education. That the government should not regulate the free market or for people to wear masks during a pandemic. But believe the one place the government should be, the one place it should be allowed to regulate, is in the private medical decisions of those, and only those, who can get pregnant. This kind of hypocrisy brings the integrity of this governmental body into question to the many Independents, Republicans, and Democrats in this state who believe in all of our right to privacy free from government interference. Access to care, although made into a partisan issue by those in power, is not a partisan issue for people of Alaska. An overwhelming majority of people from all party affiliations living in Alaska support the right to choose. Self-determination over our own bodies and destinies is a unifying factor amongst the many different communities that live here.

If members of the Senate wanted to reduce abortions, they would support HB 58, a bill that would expand access to birth control. Having consistent access to birth control reduces unintended pregnancies, which then reduces the rates of those that access abortions. Members of the Senate would also support access to sex ed. Giving youth the tools to understand their bodies and empowering youth to understand content also reduces the abortion rate. Finally, if members of the Senate truly want to lower the abortion rate they would offer universal healthcare, universal pre-k, and fully fund SNAP. Caring for children and families after they are born should be the Senate's priority. Not forcing only those that can get pregnant to abide by others moral and religious beliefs.

The reason this bill is being heard is because a few Senators want to waste their colleagues time with grandstanding and sound bites for the next election. Each and everyone one of us should have the right to decide our own path. Amending the constitutional right to privacy in a state that prides itself on its narrative of individualism is unacceptable. Each of you took an oath of office to uphold the

Alaska state constitution, not to amend it to fit your moral values or to change it to assert power over the lives of those that can get pregnant. I urge you to vote no on SJR 4. Thank you.

RE SJR 4. I agree and this should go to a vote by the people of Alaska. Protect life.
DougSweet

Dear Senators:

I am an Alaskan resident writing to you to advise my support for SJR4. It is important that the Supreme Court is sent a message that Alaskans should not be forced to subsidize abortions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tammi Lindsey

Senator Hughes and respected members of the Senate Judiciary Committee,

I believe this should go to a vote of the people of Alaska.

Respectfully,

Keith

Keith Kurber II, DMin

Dear Senators,

I wish to strongly endorse SJR 4. I am strongly pro-life and believe that an unborn child has the fundamental God given right to life. Although a change to the Alaska Constitution will not immediately end abortion, it will give Alaskans some measure of control over abortion policy. Currently a judicial cabal has almost complete control over abortion issues.

Thank you for considering this matter.

Ken Mattson,
Juneau

I'm Candy Miller from Wasilla/Palmer, District 9

I support SJR 4 ..

I am a person of faith and honor God, our creator, I see the seriousness of this issue

because, when an Alaska native lady ,spoke on a legislative teleconference call to defund abortion a few years ago. and quoted PROVERBS 6:16-19 :

"These six things the Lord hates,...vs. 17 says

HANDS that shed innocent blood," (abortion).... and she said that

"Hands" in the Hebrew, means "powers that", I realized we have blood on our hands.

" We the people", taxpayers, voters in Alaska government, must stop funding abortion, and protect the innocent preborn babies' right to live, because

"Hands" in the Hebrew, means "powers that"

Alaska must stop funding abortion.

I urge you, to vote yes to support SJR 4

Sincerely,

Candy Miller

District 9 , Voter

Alaska resident since 1974

I'm John V. Miller from Wasilla/Palmer, District 9

I am very much in support of SJR 4 for the following reasons:

- # 1. If Planned Parenthood is against it, it must be good. PP is the face of a industry profiting by promoting promiscuity and sexual experimentation only to increases it's customer base then by eliminating through extermination the very results they produce by abortion.
- #2. Our Government is supporting this with tax payer money against our will.
- #3. PP is a money laundering enterprise where PP receives Gov. Subsidies then turns around and donates money to campaigns so that the cycle continues.
- #4. Any legislator receiving support, contributions, or help of any kind from PP could recuse themselves from voting on SJR 4.
- #5. The protection of innocent life should be "Self Evident" as determined by the people not a Judge.

Alaska must stop funding abortion.

I urge you, to vote yes to support SJR 4

Sincerely,

John V Miller

Dear Senators,

I would ask that you please support SJR 4. As a father of 3, I value life above all other policy priorities and I do not want my tax dollars funding such things.

Thank you,

Spencer Moore

Region 3 Representative

Alaska Republican Party

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Thank you for considering this matter.

Ken Mattson,
Juneau

Greetings,

I, my family, and many others in our spheres of influence support SJR4 and we all would encourage you to also support SJR4 for life, liberty and justice.

Thank you,

Wesley Saunders

Senate Judiciary Committee:

I live in Anchorage. I am in complete support of SJR4.

Thank you for your time.

Deanna McCollough

Senate Judiciary Committee,

Alaskans have made it very clear by our votes and efforts that we support the protection of unborn life. Reasonable regulation of abortion is in the best interest of women and unborn babies. Abortion may be legal, but that does not make it right. It's time for Alaska to move forward and enshrine the protection of human life in our constitution. That is the only way to keep the courts from undermining the efforts of pro-life Alaskans. SJR4 would permit the decisions Alaskans have made to stand, and hopefully save precious little Alaskans in the process. Please pass SJR4. Thank you!

Stephanie Taylor

Senate Judiciary Committee Members,

My name is Rod Wheelles and I live in Anchorage.

I wish to communicate my support for SJR4. As you consider it's merits please reflect on the frustration of Alaska voters who have repeatedly seen the courts dismiss the will of the people with regard to abortion and its funding.

SJR4 is yet another gesture on behalf of loving and kind citizens who cherish the gift of life.

Thank you for your time,

Rod Wheelles

Please support this bill in confirming there isn't a right to abortion in our State Constitution.

Thank you,

Garret Slaughenhoup

I support SJR4. Abortion is just plain ugly. Don't let my tax dollars be used in such a disgraceful way.

Carey Cossaboom

I am for life not abotion

David Brock

Please,

Our children and future generations need to know that their lives were and are worth fighting for. I am in SUPPORT of SJR4. We need advancement in pro-life legislation.

If we keep killing innocent babies, what's going to happen to our society? We will continue to ruin our amazing country from the inside out.

God's beautiful gift of human life is one to cherish forever.

Thank you for reading,

Stephanie Legrand

Alaska Senators,

Please support SJR – all lives are important, born and unborn.

Thanks for your service and consideration,

JR Dailey

Sterling AK

I support SJR 4. The constitution does not support the right to abortion!

Kathleen Lyday

Good afternoon and thank you for the time to express my purpose for opposing Pro abortion.

This legislation is Rot with The blatant disrespect for parental rights to be involved with their children who seek abortions from individuals who have no respect for life or family I am 100% against pro abortion.

This is not a government issued to decide and it is definitely not a taxpayer burden to fund genocide with government agencies funded programs. special interest groups and taxpayer dollars decide who when where and how a pregnancy should be terminated is exactly the promotional nuances of what we call counter culture and termination culture we are experiencing right now when we voice opinions. Different from the counter culture

The progressive counterculture their missions to seek out and destroy not guide and lead but dominate and suppress and that is exactly what the abortion issue is dominate and suppress.,this is an assault on truth justice and values of the United States of America and our citizens here in the state of Alaska.

To use abortion as a form of birth control is particularly Hyenas, coupled with the fact that there are a great many who find this type of behavior acceptable.

Im an Alaskan of over 44 years here in my state AND DO not back pro abortion at all.

I want to thank you again for being able to sound off on the situation this unnecessary genocide of the unborn for the sake of convenience.

Respectfully
Ann Hoffman

This is to notify you I am in support of SJR4 currently in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Linda Nott

Do not fund abortions. I won't allow my taxes that I pay for a person to kill a innocent baby.
michelle Konig

I wholeheartedly support SJR4, and encourage you to pass this bill, clarifying that nothing in our state constitution gives a right to abortion.

Thank you,
Robert Renner
Eagle River, AK

I am in support of the SJR4 Bill. This Bill clarifies that there is no right to abortion in our State Constitution. This type of Bill has already been passed in LA, AL, WV, TN and RI. Let's give the power back to the people of Alaska!!!

Kit Holmstrom

Please pass SJR4. The lives of people of all ages should be protected.

Thank you.
Clara Storey
Anchorage

I am in support of this legislation. Thank you
Timothy Sergie

Senators,

I am writing to voice my support for Senate Joint Resolution 4. I support the right to life for all people, including the unborn as I believe that life begins at conception. Abortion, especially the government funding of it, has been used as a means to control people for too long and it needs to stop.

Thank you for your time,

Thank you,

David Durst

Please protect the lives of the unborn. All lives matter.

Christine Hill

To all members of the Judiciary Committee:

I am emailing you today to voice my support for SJR4. While the desire to protect a woman's health and well-being is commendable, the true fact is that the majority of abortions are obtained for convenience. There is no regard to the right to life of the unborn child within the woman's womb. Our Alaska Constitution ideally guarantees equal rights for all citizens of our great state. This should and must include the lives of innocent and vulnerable unborn children. Thank you for your time and attention in this critical matter.

Regards,
Denise Petrash
Anchorage, Alaska

I would like to express my support for SJR 4. Please vote to protect the lives of our unborn children.
These precious defenseless lives depend on us.

Thank you,
Bill Elam
Soldotna AK

The Alaska Supreme Court must be reigned in as they are manufacturing a “right” to abortion that is non-existent.

- The Court has **not** been neutral or fair regarding the issue of abortion.
- The people **should have their say** on this matter – not the Courts.
- Reasonable regulation of abortion is in the **best interest** of women and the unborn. Please support this bill.

Jane and John Erkmann

Anchorage

I am writing in support of SJR 4 which is now under consideration by your committee.

I believe the inalienable right given by our Creator is the right to LIFE. More must be done to protect the most vulnerable among us. I do not believe it is a right to end a life by abortion. I urge you to advance this legislation for the State of Alaska. The language in this bill is reasonable, fair, and in the best interest of women and the unborn.

Sincerely,

Melinda A. Osburn

As conservative Alaskans who don't want state \$\$ going to provide abortions, please support SJR4.

Dwayne and Daphne Hofschulte

North Pole

Dear Judiciary Committee Members,

This email is being sent in support of SJR4 stating that there is no constitutional right to abortion in the State of Alaska. It is long past time to stop the courts from twisting the constitution to imply things that are not there. Please note that I am in full support of this bill.

Sincerely,

Kathy Newman

Sitka since 1973

Please support SJR4. It is, in our opinion, the most important pro-life legislation in this session, and maybe in the last several decades in Alaska. It deserves your vote.

Don't be fooled by any opposition from the so-called Alaska Right to Life.

Ron and Jan McCoy

Please count me as in favor of this important legislation to pass this timely bill in favor of support. I've lived in Alaska for 54 years and intend on remaining a residence here for life. It's not up to individuals to terminate God given lives.

Sincerely,

Stephen L. Johnson

Hello,

I am writing this in support of the bill SJR4. Please do everything within your power to stop abortions in our State. ALL life is valuable and that includes babies in the womb from the day of conception to the day our hearts stop beating.

Thank you and may God bless you as you hear and obey Him.

Cynthia Desrochers

Please support SJR4. Our constitution does NOT support abortion. I do not want my tax dollars to go towards any abortions. Ever.

Jill Moody

In case you thought our Constitution supports abortion, I want you to know it does NOT. As a registered vote in Anchorage, I need you to understand I do not support ANY legislation to fund, support, or enable abortion. It is murder. Do not use my tax dollars. Ever.

Watching intently,

Jill Moody

Dear Senators:
I support SJR4.
Thanks,
Robert Ferebauer
Revak's district

Abortion rights must not be guaranteed by our Alaska state constitution. I oppose this because it murders a human being. A fetus as an individual has protection before birth exactly as he/she would moments after birth.

I support SJR 4.

Gloria Stuart
Homer, Ak.

I am in full support of Bill SJR4 as our State Constitution does not include the idea that abortion is a right. Abortion is a private CHOICE and not to be regulated by government, whether with funds or consents!

Herbert Eckmann

Anchorage AK

This is a note of Support for the passage of SJR4.

Killing an embryo/fetus is murder and the use of my tax dollars to continue doing this is criminal.

Sally M Pollen

Resident and tax payer for 36 years.

I am writing to show support in favor of passing SJR 4, pro-life. I believe life begins at conception, and this will sustain maintaining life through delivery. Please take into consideration my stance on this issue. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Ellie Wright

Honorable Legislative Members,

Please support the passage of SJR4.

Those against this language change in the Alaskan Constitution are faithful in communicating fearful messages this will end up in back alley abortions and other such fearful consequences. This is far from the truth.

This language change will allow Alaskan citizens to determine the future of the Alaskan Constitution and this issue. Each of you were given your position of public service because of Alaskan voters; so I am sure you would agree that this is where the decision should be made, and not by an unelected court.

Let the people decide and do not give in the fearful messaging that the proponents of abortion always use when it comes to these issues. In fact, if they are confident the people are on their side, they should not be concerned, but in reality they likely fear what the people really believe about abortion. The research bears this out in the polls that a large percentage of citizens believe abortion is wrong.

Time for this citizen viewpoint to have a chance to be heard!!

Please vote YES to the passage of SJR4.

Respectfully

Priscilla Anne Hurley
Anchorage, AK. 99502

To whom it may concern,

I am in full support of the following statement: *"To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."*

I believe that the Alaska Supreme Court must be reigned in as they are manufacturing a "right" to abortion that is non-existent in our state constitution.

I encourage you to support SJR4. Thank you for your time and for your service on the Senate Judiciary Committee!

Sincerely,

Stephen Sheets, Anchorage, AK

My name is Mrs. Carolyn L.Morse , I live in Nikiski Alaska.
And I am in support of the SJR4

We are sick of the court writing new laws instead of enforcing existing law...or of them "finding" new "protections"

or mandates" in the constitution that do NOT exist. It is past time to reign the court in!

The language in SJR4 is straightforward and clear:

"To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

Please support SJR4!

Edward Zehrung

I am definitely in support of SJR4. Abortion is NOT a RIGHT but a CHOICE. Abortion is also not a government funded project, it is a personal decision. Our State Constitution does not state abortion as a right.

Kathryn Eckmann

Anchorage Alaska

Dear Senate Judicial Committee,

I am writing to encourage you to support SJR4.

The language is very simple, " *To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion.*"

I believe that the tiniest Alaskan life needs to be protected. They cannot speak for themselves.

Repeatedly, our Alaska Supreme Court has legislated from the bench, 'finding' language in our State law that simply is not there, to support abortion in our great State.

We need this wording in the law because of this.

Please do the right thing.

Sincerely, Andrea Bennett

Eagle River, AK

Our state stands against abortion, as we should. Please please don't let our state/country go down an event I/wrong path.

I stand for these little ones. They are helpless. It's not their fault for being created. Would you like to be punished for something that isn't your fault?

Please defend and protect these little ones. Please please protect and support SJR4.

Thank you for doing the right things for all Alaska.

Carole Garris

My name is Donnetta C Rogers and I live in Butte Alaska. Please support bill SJR4! There is "not a right to abortion" in our state constitution. The court has abused its power by "manufacturing a right to abortion" in our state constitution that "does not exist". Thank you for reading my email. This is so urgent!

Sincerely,

Donnetta Rogers

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As a prolife Alaskan who has seen first hand how devastating abortion is in the lives of countless women; please stand up for life and support this constitutional amendment. Thank you!

Windy Perkins
Anchorage Resident
Representing myself and family of 5

I am writing to urge your support for SJR4. It is reasonable and makes sense. My name is Bo Melin and I live in Anchorage. I have been an Alaska resident for almost 20 years.
Thank you for your consideration.

Bo Melin

To Whom it May Concern,

It seems to me you people have lost sight of who is in charge. And are definitely overstepping you authority. If it's murder to kill a child in his crib then it is murder to kill him inside of the womb. Stop this madness!! Are you truly thinking that this is correct behavior for a group of Judges to take opposition on an issue we the PEOPLE have already decided. Hope you all have another job. If you go against our wishes, our next wish we be voting you folks out. Up hold the PEOPLE'S DECISION!!

To Whom it May Concern,

I would like to voice my support, as well as my understanding that the right to privacy was not passed by Alaskans with the right to Abortion in mind. Please provide the legislature with their specific right to govern the right to privacy as the second sentence of that amendment states: The Legislature Shall Implement This Section.

The courts imputed the right to abortion into the amendment, not the legislature. Please undo the courts understanding and return the power to recognize the right to privacy to the legislature as the amendment states.

Faithful Citizen of Anchorage and lifelong Alaskan

Glen Biegel

> To whom it may concern,

> I am writing in support for sJR4. Changing the wording in our state constitution to protect life is paramount to the continuation of our society. To value human life, no matter how small, resonates with Alaskan values and is worthy of our promotion. Please vote yes on this.

> Thank you

> Justin Gillespie

I am totally in suport of SJR4 and the efforts to protect innocent lives of babies, who cannot protect themselves or even voice their desire to live. The Alaska constitution in no way cals for allowing the killing of unborn babies. How could anyone with even an ounce of humanity endorse the killing of the unborn.

Sincerely,

Ron Bowers--Dillingham

Senate Judiciary Committee,

I am a life long Alaskan who is in support of SJR4.

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Sincerely,

Athena Grimm

Co-Owner

Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee,

I am writing to express my support of SJR 4 and all it implies for protecting the lives of all unborn children.

Please pass this bill here, and on the Senate floor and champion it all through its journey into law.

Thank you.

Mary Ann Gilbert

Palmer, AK 99645

I'm John V. Miller from Wasilla/Palmer, District 9

I am very much in support of SJR 4 for the following reasons:

- # 1. If Planned Parenthood is against it, it must be good. PP is the face of a industry profiting by promoting promiscuity and sexual experimentation only to increases it's customer base then by eliminating through extermination the very results they produce by abortion.
- #2. Our Government is supporting this with tax payer money against our will.
- #3. PP is a money laundering enterprise where PP receives Gov. Subsidies then turns around and donates money to campaigns so that the cycle continues.
- #4. Any legislator receiving support, contributions, or help of any kind from PP could recuse themselves from voting on SJR 4.
- #5. The protection of innocent life should be "Self Evident" as determined by the people not a Judge.

Alaska must stop funding abortion.

I urge you, to vote yes to support SJR 4

Sincerely,

John V Miller

I am an Alaskan licensed Womens Health Nurse Practitioner, and have worked in the state since 1986 caring for women, pregnant and non-pregnant, and infants from Bristol Bay to Southeast.

Until there is permanent punishment for men who ejaculate inside a woman's vagina without her consent, there is no way there could be justice in our state for changing our constitution and eliminate that woman's right to deal with her condition in the way that she needs in order to move forward in her life. (which by the way I can guarantee you, that regardless of the outcome of the pregnancy-FYI there are only three options: the pregnancy ends before the baby is viable, the baby is adopted out, or the mother keeps the baby-with or without wanting it, planning it, healthy or not) the outcome WILL EFFECT HER THE REST OF HER LIFE!!!!!!!!!!!!

Nor should any bill like this even be considered until every man is required to obtain

permission for ever putting his penis inside a woman. In the cases of an underaged male, he will BE required to have written consent from his parents to engage in intercourse. If he does not have it he will be up for either a lifetime in prison, or the removal of his gonads, perhaps the judge will let him choose. If you think we already have unwanted sexual intercourse laws-may I remind you why you think you need to try and pass this. You are wanting unplanned pregnancies to proceed. Please put your efforts toward unwanted /unplanned intercourse. When you solve that, then telling woman what she can and can't do will not be an issue.

Your Honorable Senators: Reinbold, Shower, Hughes, Myers, and Kiehl, you must deal with the issue of penises ejaculating inside a woman's vagina to serve your constituents justly.

I trust you will examine your conscience and know that you can explain to 10-20 year olds, why is it ok for a man or boy to ejaculate inside a woman without her permission, and you think that it is ok for that girl or woman to be effected for the rest of her life because of his actions. Furthermore you think you have the right to tell her what she can and can't do because of the immoral action the man has taken. Unless you have lost your soul, I am sure you could not do that.

Please vote no on SJR4.

Thank you for your service, and thank you for looking at what happens causing that positive pregnancy test.

Sincerely,

Deana Darnall, ANP

I am happy to testify for you if you have questions about the damage done to a woman for the rest of her life, when a man violates her vagina with his penis. I have 35 years of experience in. this state worth of stories. There may not be another who can.

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in support for SJR4. Changing the wording in our state constitution to protect life is paramount to the continuation of our society. To value human life, no matter how small, resonates with Alaskan values and is worthy of our promotion. Please vote yes on this.

Thank you

Crystal Joy Gillespie

I support SJR4

I do not like abortions

I do not want our state to pay for anyone's abortion Abortions are murder

Ann Geise

Delta Junction, Alaska

I support SJR 4, because it looks to clarify that the Alaskan constitution does not protect abortion or state funding for abortion. Please vote "Yes" on SJR 4.

I'm an Alaskan citizen, I've lived on the Kenai Peninsula for over 20 years, raised my family here and own a home.

Thank you,
Barbara Roland

To our honorable Senators:

am in support of SJR4 and request that you pass it.

There is no right to state-funded abortions in the Alaskan Constitution, and the state Judiciary has no authority to enact one.

Please follow the Alaskan Constitution as written; do not add to it or take from it without due legal process.

Thank you.

Jill Chadbourne

Palmer, AK

I agree; This should be voted on by Alaskans.
Nola Kurber
Fairbanks, AK 99708

Dear Senators

My wife, daughter and I firmly believe like multiple states that the Court has not been fair or neutral regarding abortions. The people via our legislators should determine abortion policy and a reasonable regulation of "abortion" is in the best interest of men, women and unborn babies.

Please include the statement that "To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion".

Best Regards,

Dr John Nolte, MD
Dr Miriam Nolte, MD
Dr Julie Stewart, MD

Dear Senators,

I am writing in support of SJR4 a bill that makes life a Constitutional right in Alaska. Life begins at conception and every individual on the planet has a right to life, guaranteed by our national Constitution and God Himself. Please support this legislation.

Thank you.

Barbara Tyndall

Fairbanks

Please do not keep funding abortions. I do not want any money from my State going to Kill innocent babies. Abortion is wrong on every level and it's time people stood up and said it. I can think of nothing more evil then killing n unborn Baby. The money used to fund abortions should be used to educate women and men about birth control. The money used to fund abortions should be used to support young girls or women who have become pregnant and allow them to have their babies. If they feel unable to take on the care of the Baby at that point of their life there are plenty of families wanting to adopt. The money used to fund killing babies could also be used to reduce the cost of adoption as that is the thing standing in the way of many Babies being adopted, its criminal how much they want to charge to adopt a child.

Please rethink your stand on this. Realize that it is a baby that you are killing by abortion, not some clump of cells.

Thank You

Pamela hall

Hello Senators,

Please support SJR4 that says there is NOT a right to abortion in our AK constitution. This is a matter that should be decided by the people, not the courts. This is an important and clarifying bill that needs to be moved forward.

Lynette Phillips
Anchorage, AK

Hi there,

I would like to add my support for SJR 4 to go to the people of Alaska for vote. I stand in support of life and the rights of Alaskans to decide major state issues at the polls—not simply via phone calls or emails or social pressure on politicians.

Thank you,
Monika

Please vote YES on the list constitutional amendment. Judges should not be allowed to overrule the will of the people.--

Doyle Brueckner

I fully support SJR4. I have lived in Anchorage for 67 years and we need more of a culture of life not death. The long term negative results of abortion for the mother are well documented, let alone for the loss of an innocent life.

Please support SJR 4 and vote in the affirmative. Thanks,

Rich Thorne

Bettles

Please vote yes on this bill.

Innocent lives will be saved

Thanks

Tom Glover

To Whom It May Concern:

I whole-heartedly support SJR4. It is unfortunate that our state Judiciary has arrogantly overstepped its legal boundaries in making law rather than applying already existing law. There is no envisioned constitutional right to an abortion granted to Alaskan citizens. There is however the right to live a free and flourishing life in our great State.

Please support SJR4 to protect all our lives.

Sincerely,

Timothy J. Davis

Anchorage, Alaska

Hello,

My name is William Howard, and I live in Fairbanks, Alaska. I strongly support SJR4. Abortion is a crime against humanity, and its supporters are criminals. Our government has a duty to protect its citizens, and that means ending abortions.

Thank you,

Bill Howard

Dear Senate Judiciary Committee,

Our culture has contributed to the normalization of easy and unlimited access to countless abortions that have resulted in the destruction of the most vulnerable human beings. In light of recent heartbreaking revelations about certain organizations that are profiting from the sale of human fetal tissue, it is undeniably morally incorrect to publicly fund abortion. While there may be instances where an abortion procedure might be absolutely medically necessary, the current rate of abortions performed is outrageously unacceptable. All of the money that has been going to fund abortions would be better spent on education combating the behaviors that result in unwanted pregnancies. Please find it in your heart to support SJR 4.

Thank you for your service to our beautiful state,

Mrs. Miranda Britt Nelson of Nikiski, Alaska

My name is Mike Minnery from Anchorage and I support SJR4!

Good afternoon,

I am writing to voice my and my family's support of SJR4. Its wording is clear and matter-of-fact, and common sense to Alaskans who believe in 'Live and Let Live.'

To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

Long live common sense. Please enact SJR4 for Alaskans who live the same way.

Best wishes for your work,

Jana Kennedy

This is good idea and should be put to vote. Thank you. Eileen and Dave Becker, Homer Alaska

Please vote to support SJR4. I would like the State Constitution to include the words:

"To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

Other states have adopted bills with similar wording to their constitutions. This is compassionate and will save the lives of our tiniest Alaskans.

Thank you,

Carol Szopa RN

I support the SJR4. Please submit your vote for it. Thank You, Gail Harvey

"To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

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Theresa Traw

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Ivan and I live in North Pole. I want to say that I strongly encourage your support in passing SJR4. The Alaska Constitution can't be construed to state that abortion is a state right. Courts appear to abuse and misinterpret our Constitution often in regards to abortion and I believe that SJR4 can be an important step to correct this problem.

Thank you for considering passing SJR4.

Ivan Leibbrandt

North Pole, AK 99705

I support the constitutional amendment that allows the residents of Alaska to vote on how or state funds can or will be used in support of abortion.

Peter Bengtson

Please know that I am in FULL SUPPORT of SJR 4.

Juanita Ross

Soldotna

I AM STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF SJR 4. PLEASE PASS THIS PIECE OF LEGISLATION.

THANK YOU
JAMES ROWLAND

To the Senate Judiciary Committee,

We strongly urge you to support SJR4. To protect human life. The Alaska Constitution should NEVER be used to protect the Abominable practice of Child Sacrifice. Never!! Our children deserve even the most basic of Human rights. The Right to life. Believe me when I tell you that the shed blood of the Innocents cries out for Justice.

Senators,

I truly regret not calling in to support this bill when you had public testimony. It saddens me that Planned Parenthood dominated the testimony in voicing their support to murdering our defenseless unborn children. As a grandparent of an adopted child, I assure you that these children are very much wanted and loved.

Please know that the majority of Alaskans support this bill and encourage you to pass it.

Please pass SJR-4.

Thank you,

Michele Hartline

Nikiski, Alaska

Just dropping a line to say I hope you support SJR 4, thank you for your service.
Sincerely,
Brian Hughes

Dear Senate Judiciary,

I support SJR 4.

Krista Schooley

Soldotna AK 99669

My name is Portia Noble, life long Alaskan and I'm representing myself.

I'd like to start by thanking Sen. Hughes for her commitment to supporting constitutional rights. I'm in full support of SJR4 and believe this constitutional amendment is the best way to advance pro-life legislation in the state of Alaska.

SJR4 does not specifically make abortion illegal, but it will put the power of decision in the hands of Alaskans so that no court or other entity will be able to mute the voices of those who believe that abortion may not be the right course of action for every individual under any circumstance. In the language of the bill it states: "To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

Pass this common sense bill for the parents of minors who remain powerless and uninformed about the dangers of their unborn grandchildren.

Pass this bill for the mothers and fathers who will be forced to live with the grief of this decision for the rest of their lives.

Pass this bill for the trafficked sex slaves or children being molested who are being coerced into abortions by people more powerful.

Pass this bill for the thousands of pro-life Alaskans of faith who do not want their voices to be silenced or their tax dollars going to fund something they believe to be immoral.

Pass this bill for the mothers and fathers longing to adopt a child that is yet unborn.

Please pass this bill for the smallest and quietest future members of our great state of Alaska.

Give us Alaskans our voices back when it comes to what we deem most valuable in our State.

The US Constitution protects life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Not the protection of death, secrets, and the pursuit of pain.

Thank you for your time,

Portia Noble

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to express my concern about SJR4 which is written to protect human life. Nothing in the constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the state to fund an abortion.

Please receive this email in all earnestly.

Sincerely,

Claudia Hopper

Wasilla, AK

Please VOTE TO SUPPORT SJR4- Save the lives of countless babies-- girls and and boys that God created-- humans--earth's greatest resource!! Lena Flensburg Nikiski/Dillingham

Senate Judiciary Committee

Please support SJR4 and vote YES!

Thank you

Charlene Tautfest

Soldotna Alaska

District 30

Good afternoon. I support this bill and encourage a "do pass" vote. It's important.

Thank you
Dave Peck

We write to support SJR4, the proposed amendment to the Alaska constitution. SJR4 would add Section 26, which reads "Abortion. To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

It is common sense that the state should protect its citizens, including its unborn citizens. It should not allow or pay for the murder of those citizens.

Put SJR4 on the ballot and let Alaskans vote to amend our constitution to protect Alaskan citizens.

Sincerely,

Fred and Mary Michels

Wasilla, AK

Good afternoon,

I would like to voice my support of SJR4. Please pass this piece of legislation so that we protect those that do not have a voice. DO NOT fund abortions with State funds, protect human life, please!

Thank you for supporting life!

Rebecca DeBusk

Wasilla, AK

To the Judiciary committee: I am in full support of the passage of SJR 4. We need to be able to protect the rights of the unborn, in the great state of Alaska and across the nations. We should take extreme measures to protect the unborn and give them life. Abortions should never be funded by tax payer dollars in our state or anywhere in the nations.

I am in support of SJR 4

Dale Hammitt

Dear Alaska Legislators, My name is Dr. Philip Klump, D.D.S., and I have practiced dentistry for 32 years in Alaska. As a healthcare provider I am writing you today to enlist your support for SJR4 bill before you in the legislature. This bill would CLARIFY that NO Right to an Abortion exists in the Alaska Constitution. The Supreme Court of Alaska has defied the WILL of the people of Alaska too many times in regards to 1. Parental Consent of Minors before obtaining an abortion, 2. Whether the people of Alaska are FORCED to pay for abortions, 3. Regulation of Abortion providers, etc. It is time to REIGN in the Supreme Court of Alaska from legislating from the bench and ignoring the WILL of Alaskans!!! The People MUST have their say in these matters! I urge ALL of you Alaska Legislators to support this bill, SJR4, immediately. I, and many others, will be watching how you vote! Sincerely, Dr. Philip Klump, D.D.S.

I support for SJR 4! Precious defenseless lives depend on it!

Unborn babies have no defense and no voice.

As a mother of a precious Down Syndrome Daughter I will and can prove that every LIFE is precious and worthy in God's eyes. It is our mission to be the voice for the innocent and helpless and voiceless.

Sincerely,

Sybille Curry

Nikiski Alaska

I Am in support of SJR4, I am opposed to using my tax dollars to kill unborn babies!!!

Jack V. Porter

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Leigh Sloan

North Muldoon Precinct, District 15

Anchorage, Alaska

Senate Judiciary committee,

Alaska's abortion laws are wrong and violate moral and societal values of human life.

Murder is still murder in spite of what some cultural voices may say. I would never take a gun and go kill someone so why should someone be allowed to go murder their child? Countries and societies that have allowed infanticide, soon will allow euthanasia and other heinous forms of murder.

This is allowing one human being to hold the power of life and death over another human being... And it's wrong.

Please honor life and protect the rights of the unborn. 70+ percent of Americans are opposed to abortion and Alaska is no exception...everyone I know believes that it is murder.

Sincerely

Anthony Lyndaker

I'm Candy Miller from Wasilla/Palmer, District 9

I support SJR 4 ..

I am a person of faith and honor God, our creator, I see the seriousness of this issue

because, when an Alaska native lady ,spoke on a legislative teleconference call to defund abortion a few years ago. and quoted PROVERBS 6:16-19 :

"These six things the Lord hates,...vs. 17 says

HANDS that shed innocent blood," (abortion).... and she said that

"Hands" in the Hebrew, means "powers that", I realized we have blood on our hands.

" We the people", taxpayers, voters in Alaska government, must stop funding abortion, and protect the innocent preborn babies' right to live, because

"Hands" in the Hebrew, means "powers that"

Alaska must stop funding abortion.

I urge you, to vote yes to support SJR 4

Sincerely,

Candy Miller

I strongly support SJR 4.

"To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

Killing a fetus is a personal choice. I don't condone it and I don't want my tax dollars to pay for it.

Libby Dalton Slane

We are writing to express support for SJR 4. Unborn lives must be protected from the moment of conception. Please continue with this bill as it is best for all Alaskans.

Nathan and Elizabeth Traugott

Homer AK

I fully support SJR 4 and I strongly urge you to support it too. I cannot adequately express how strongly I feel that this should be passed. Thank you for your immediate support of SJR 4.

Pat Donelson

Please by the grace of God support SJR4. We are alive now because we were not aborted! Let these babies LIVE!

David Parker

Please, Please, Please fight for those that have no voice yet! Their voices are still being developed if allowed to live as God had intended. There is No reason why I should have to pay for someone's else choices, especially the voluntary option to kill a fetus.

Do the right thing & protect the sanctity of life.

Mary Hutchins

Wasilla, AK

My name is Michael Hollinger and I am in support of SJR4. We must support the unborn. Michael Hollinger Big Lake AK

Hello,

Please receive and hear our family's support for SJR 4. We must protect our Constitution and speak up for those who cannot. The end can never justify the means, especially when our descendants' lives are at stake. What is the value of our humanity if protecting our own from slaughter is not our most critical priority? None of us would be here today if our parents were to make that choice. Morally and ethically, we must preserve the right of the defenseless to ensure equality from the womb and on. We must also have the right to determine where our funds go, and never to fund the slaughter of humanity, under any pretext or euphemism. If we allow funding, we all become complicit. I know we don't want that on our consciences for all eternity.

Thank you for allowing us to be heard. ILM!! "Infants Lives Matter."

Respectfully,

Theresa, Mike, Aiden and Taran Groves

I am strongly supportive of SJR4. I support pro-life legislation and candidates. Judith Hollinger Big lake
AK

To the Senate Judiciary Committee regarding SJR 4

I support SJR 4.

I use to assist in doing Abortions in the Operating Room in different hospitals that I worked.

Going through the Body Parts on the back table to make sure we got it all was just part of the job back then.

The Sucking Sounds still goes through my mind today after all this time.

That being said, the individual having the Abortion often times has not beend counseled about the Complete Process!

I have counseled several people who have had an Abortion and Every Time they said "I wish I had known"!

"I wish I had known, that I can no longer have children," from botched Abortion from clinics that are not hospital accredited.

"I wish I had known that I'll feel emotionally empty."

"I wish I had known, was not the complete Truth that was told to me, just what the Abortion Clinic wanted me to here and know."

If the child is allowed to come to full term and not Killed, many other options are available both Now and in the Future.

The child can fulfill a longing for a couple to have a child. If a child is Dead, this doesn't happen!

The child can at a later date reunite with the birth mother if they wish. If a child is Dead, this doesn't happen!

Abortion is final Act of Killing a Child - There are No Redo's!

Thank you for your consideration in Passing SJR 4.

Chaplain Randy Hillman +

St. Andrew's Anglican Church, Anchorage

Valley Fellowship Anglican Church, Palmer-Wasilla-Bush (via Zoom)

I am wanting to put in my very strong opinion that abortion is wrong in ALL circumstances and should NOT be allowed in the state of Alaska. Not for young people, including the pill, and not for downs syndrome. We have to stand up and be a voice for the unborn. Please stop ALL funding of abortion. Joyce Colbenson

I am a 22 year REGISTERED and voting resident of Alaska. I am writing to urgently respond to SJR4.

I am opposed to the killing of our young and destroying the next generation of Alaska.

Please do not make a law advocating abortion.

Glenda L. Denton

SJR4

To Whom This May Concern:

I strongly support SJR4. I support ALL life, and appose State funding of abortions.

Best Regards Craig Percy

I am writing to express my support and urge you to pass SJR-4

Senator Shelley Hughes' bill clarifying our state constitution's language about abortion or the funding thereof is simple and clear... " To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

Currently, the courts have been able to legislate funding for abortions and to force hospitals to perform these abortions even though it is against their conscience. It is not the role of the courts to decide these critical matters and citizens should be allowed the opportunity to vote to amend our state constitution where needed.

Alaskan citizens should have a CHOICE whether they are forced to perform or pay for abortions.

Without regulations on abortions, lobbyists for Planned Parenthood are able to promote laws that harm women, teenagers and unborn babies. They take away rights of parents to talk with their teenagers before they make a life-changing decision! They take away the rights of citizens to vote to on these life-changing matters!

Reasonable regulation of abortion is in the best interest of Alaskan women, teens, and the unborn!

I urge you to pass SJR-4.

Respectfully,

Rebecca Crawford

Anchorage, AK

I support SJR 4.

You all passed legislation to prevent the state from funding abortions, the governor signed it. A judge decided to do his own law-making from the bench. Unless you are going to nullify judicial orders that unconstitutionally permit murder, this bill appears to be necessary to stop them from misusing 'privacy' to excuse infanticide.

Claudia Dolfi

I write to support SJR 4, the proposed amendment to the Alaska constitution. SJR4 would add Section 26, which reads "Abortion. To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State to fund an abortion."

It is common sense that the state should protect its citizens, including its unborn citizens. It should not allow or pay for the murder of those citizens.

Put SJR4 on the ballot and let Alaskans vote to amend our constitution to protect Alaskan citizens.

Sincerely,

Rudy Poglitsch

I support SJR 4.

Whitney Harney

My name is Helanie White. Life long Alaskan and I live in Anchorage. I am strongly apposed to government funding abortions for any reason. Life is a gift, period.

I support SJR4

HELANIE WHITE

Hello!

As an Alaskan, I would like to see the passage of SJR 4. I support this bill to amend our constitution on abortion.

I don't support the State of Alaska funding abortions in any way.

VOTE YES on SJR 4.

Linda Jones

Homer, Alaska

Every person that ever discovered an answer to one of life's woes, brokered an international peace deal, invented something that our changed lives forever, led a nation, or developed a vaccine for a pandemic...every one of those was given the chance to breathe, live, learn and create. It is time to STOP THE CARNAGE, develop other answers and save our babies.

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Blessings,

Mukkove Johnson

Stop state funding of abortions! I support SJR 4 so please vote to pass!

Jane Keller
District 7

Senate Judicial Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my strong support for SJR 4 – again. I did not realize that with every committee my strong support had to be reiterated. Please don't let the noisy few drown out the voices of the silent majority. A quick peruse of U.S. citizen's opinions revealed that while the country is approximately 50:50 on pro-choice/pro-life (depending on the poll), the majority are against partial-birth and late term abortions. As stated in my letter to Senator Hughes, with today's medical advances, there is really no reason to have an unwanted pregnancy. If I chose a sedentary lifestyle, poor diet, perhaps over use of tobacco, alcohol and drugs and developed heart disease, diabetes, etc., should anyone else be responsible for my health costs? Another quick review of Planned Parenthood (www.breitbart.com): assets over \$2 billion, taxpayer income increase 69.8% in the decade 2008-2018. Why are we still funding this non-profit? If **Planned** Parenthood was doing such a good job, worthy of taxpayer dollars, why are there so many **unplanned** pregnancies? Requiring abortions? This bill accomplishes more than just regulating abortions but puts the emphasis on self-responsibility and not on the government to take care of ones needs caused by reckless living. There **has** to be this shift as government funding for irresponsibility is unsustainable and unhealthy for the individual and society as a whole.

Martha (Marty) Kincaid

I am voicing SUPPORT of SJR4.

Kristie Fray

I want to give my voice in support of SJR 4. I believe that every person has a right to life and our Alaska State Constitution should support and protect this. The state should not be paying for abortion! Please accept SJR4!

Thank you,

Jacob Klapak
Glacier View, AK

I support SJR 4.

The legislature has passed measures to prevent the state from funding abortions, the governor signed it, and some judge decided to do his own law-making from the bench. It makes no sense to say 'shhhh, murdering my baby is a private affair!' Unless you are going to nullify judicial orders that unconstitutionally permit murder, this bill appears to be necessary to stop them from misusing 'privacy' to excuse infanticide.

James Frisby

Palmer

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Thank you,
Heather Klapak
Glacier View, Alaska

Dear Senate Judiciary,

We are in tragic orwellian times when the Government deems it's appropriate to spend Tax Payers \$\$\$ against their will to subsidize abortions.

You've shown a superlative example of the abuse of power and authority towards implementing Unconstitutional laws, which mercilessly terminate the innocent lives of unborn children.

You people are pawns and sheep of the eugenicist NWO elite, who have been practicing population control and genocide for well over a century now.

Do you even have the common sense, deductive reasoning and decency to realize how easy we have made it in our society to murder the unborn child? It costs a few hundred dollars to Abort a child while it costs between 30-50K to adopt one. Do you know how many people desire to adopt each year, but our overwhelmed by the expenses, bureaucratic process and mounds of paper work & processing?

We are attempting to adopt a child from my wife's home in the Philippines and the process is nightmarish, but thanks to you bureaucrats, who have made it so easy for abortion and cumbersome for Adoptions, the process will only continue to get worse.

You people make me sick to my stomach! I'm so tired of worthless politicians majoring in the minors that I've lost all hope of you experiencing a paradigm shift in morality, decency and genuine leadership!

Regretfully Yours,

The Haskell

I Dulcilenia Rodgers support SJR4

Dulcilenia Rodgers

Concerning SJR4 : I want to protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect a right to an abortion or require the State of Alaska to fund an abortion.

Joyce Moropoulos

Palmer, Alaska

Alaskan Resident since 1969

I am in full support of this pro life bill.

Elizabeth Samuel

Senators-

Are you conflicted on the issue of a national sin? Deep down in your conscience; do you see what is truly right, but are struggling to act on it? The claws of evil are sunk deep into our nation's fabric; a deep look into your own soul and courageous faith in Christ and His love, are the only remedies for this national sin. Please see that the opposition to SJ4 is a dishonest deception by those pushing an emotional appeal, using other crimes to justify this national sin. Please do not fall for this. Separate the crimes from the national sin. Deal with them separately. So many good people are struggling with this. Senators, I know each and every one of you are struggling to some extent. We all must recognize the sin of taking the life of an unborn child, but like so many immersed in sin, we tend to just rationalize it away. You know this leaves our whole nation emotionally and morally stunted. Please do not excuse your failure to act against this national sin by claiming one Senator cannot make a difference. Every individual can work against this nation sin to the extent that they can, in their own life. If all people followed their consciences and practiced Christ's love, then abortion would cease to exist. Senators, please take this step in eliminating an evil that has gripped our nation for too long. Do not allow the emotional deception; one sin should not be used to justify another. Make Alaska a lighthouse for others to follow.

Daryl Frisbie

Healy, Alaska

Senate Judiciary Committee,
I am voicing SUPPORT for SJR4.
Greg Weaver

Senate Judiciary,

I support SJR 4. Please pass it. My money is not to be used to support murder. Neither is my money to be used in violation of the constitution and your oath to support it.

Sincerely,

Brian Endle
Palmer, Alaska

Judiciary Committee,
I am voicing SUPPORT for SRJ4.
Pam Weaver

Legislation was passed for the state to avoid funding abortions,

-the governor signed it, and

Then there was law-making from the bench. How can anyone say 'shhhh, murdering my baby is a private affair!'

When will the state of Alaska stand up against judicial orders that unconstitutionally permit murder, this bill appears to be necessary to stop them from misusing 'privacy' to excuse infanticide.

Christine Hutchison

House District 30/Senate District O

Please move SJR 4 forward, and get it on the ballot...TUM...3m Mike

Dear Senate Judiciary,
Please record my support for SJR-4 and the right for unborn human being to live.

David Ley

I support SJR 4. Never should the life of a defenseless pre-born child be taken, let alone be funded by the government.

Mary Ellen Murphy
Valdez

Dear Senate Judiary,
Please support the right for the unborn to live

Sincerely,
David Ley
Wasilla,AK

I support SJR 4! Stop killing unborn children; murder is murder and it is not acceptable in any form! We are a Nation founded on protecting rights and liberties so let's start by being a voice for our future. Speak up for those that cannot speak for themselves and protect our unborn children!

Sincerely,

Tracy Blais

To Whom it May Concern:

Please accept this e-mail as my statement of unwavering support for SJR 4. Each child saved who lives to breathe and become all they can be as a result of this bill will be eternally thankful. Every person that ever developed an answer to one of life's woes, that brokered an international peace deal, or led a country to greatness was given the opportunity to live. It is time to put the brakes on the carnage that is abortion. It goes against everything Godly and American.

Thank you.

Kathy Conn

Blessed beyond measure!

I am writing to affirm that I agree with SJR 4 and the sanctity of life at conception!

Carl Dulinsky

To whom it may concern:

I am a mother of 3 children. I oppose abortion. I oppose abortion funding by federal, state or local taxes. Abortion is immoral, unnecessary and should be illegal.

If raped I would keep that child, as it is part of me.

Killing a baby for any reason removes the innate and practical healing power gifted to mothers through the miracle of life. When pregnancy results through incest, rape or trauma that child possesses the free, natural and practical therapy to heal and repair that harm.

Yet if aborted you end up with 3 problems:

- You have killed an innocent life
- Removed the solution for the mother
- Created NEW trauma compounded on original trauma-that never ever goes away.

Another issue I see arising in culture is government overreach is the school system along these lines. ASD is working really hard to create health centers in schools. Through radical activism these center cross all previous medical health privacy for families and for minor children. Before our families medical records were a private record not shared without consent. Today, through emergency powers, these private medical records are being shared to the schools and made apart of their permanent educational record. The goal of education should be providing a excellent academic education. However, increasingly the schools are taking over the role and ultimate responsibility of a parent. If allowed, these health center would facilitate abortions for minor children through the educational system- and the NEA, through it's monopoly in Alaska and its corrupt lobbying efforts with all their partners, will do all they can to ensure this occurs and that it occurs WITHOUT parental knowledge or consent. WE MUST STOP THIS FROM HAPPENING. Me must secure and protect Parents' fundamental Rights to direct the upbringing of our children-not the government, not a school, not a labor union and not a lobbyist!

We should end the practice of abortion.

We should Protect Parents Fundamental Rights in Alaska-otherwise our children are in harm's way.

Sincerely,

Annie Massey
Director, Alaska Parents' Right's in Education

The words below may be copied from someone else, however, I agree with the wording and find that I am tired of these groups that are funded by those that oppose ethics and morals placing such bills on the table.

I fully support SJR 4.

You all passed legislation to prevent the state from funding abortions, the governor signed it, and some judge decided to do his own law-making from the bench. It makes no sense to say 'shhhh, murdering my baby is a private affair!' Unless you are going to nullify judicial orders that unconstitutionally permit murder, this bill appears to be necessary to stop them from misusing 'privacy' to excuse infanticide.

Alan Cruce

Palmer, Alaska

I strongly support SJR 4

Glenn Moyer

We am contacting to today to implore you to support and pass SJR 4 to protect the innocent unborn and to prohibit the use of any public funds for abortion. The murder of innocent babies is an abomination to any civil society. This horrible practice must be stopped.

We are 'single issue' voters and pro-life and justice for the innocent is our issue.

Our Constitution guarantees us the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. That right must be interpreted to begin at conception as there is ample scientific evidence of conception as the beginning of life.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Loren & Dianna Hollers

Good day to you,

I just received a text from a friend who showed a what looks like a Facebook post from someone about this piece of legislation or what ever it might be.

I am a believer in life at conception. Life is anything growing or moving of it's own free will in my mind/heart, so I am puzzled about how a person who agrees with trying to find a microbe out in space would have such disregard for life in the womb.

I'm a believer in Almighty God and expect to give an account for what I have done in this life to Him. I SEE WHAT OUR COUNTRY IS GOING THROUGH - JUDGEMENT- AND I KNOW THAT THE TAKING OF INNOCENT BLOOD IS BEHIND IT!! Our country's soil is saturated with it, +50 million of them and counting. WHAT A DISGRACE !!!

Be careful what you do, God places people in positions of authority and in government and they will have to give an account for what they do with respect of their positions.

I just read that the FDA has been found to be BARTERING for body parts of those individuals as old as 24 weeks; which are able to survive outside the womb.

Your mother choose life, shouldn't you?

Respectfully,

Chymane Curl

Juneau, Ak.

Good Morning-Although I am a little late in sending you my thoughts, it doesn't lessen my thoughts on SJR 4.

I was adopted, I was 6 weeks old. My parents were unable to have children -but their heart was so large they adopted two children, 4 years apart. I was the youngest. I was loved, I was

Told from day 1 that I was adopted, chosen and was treated like I felt-loved.

The fact that the woman was in a time that abortions were "easy to get", and that she already had 3 children previously, and was, at the time of my conception-divorced. Against all the odds against me-I was allowed to live, to be born and given the opportunity.

Margaret Sanger (Planned Parenthood) was well known as "helping the poor"-but I'm sure you know the dark side -Eugenics, and how she wanted to eradicate the uneducated, the poor, the people of color, in other words-she was a racist.

You left leaning people throw that word out often-I do not. Planned Parenthood takes money from people you really don't want to stand beside. I urge you to do the research - look at the ugly side, because it isn't "providing an easy option to a mistake", this is to control an agenda.

A life is a gift-some people make it more like a problem. I

See it as a gift -I pray today you will too. Reject SJR 4-thank you for the time.

Kerri Mullis

All,

I do not want my tax dollars used to encourage, enable, or in any way support abortion. "To protect human life, nothing in this constitution may be construed to secure or protect the right to an abortion or require the state to fund an abortion."

I support SJR4. Please do the same.

Respectfully,

Gina Bogart

Kenai, Ak

Abortion is a basic human WRONG, not a right. The AK constitution IN FACT has no reference to abortion. SJR 4 merely recognizes that.

Therese J. Syren

Stop the killing now.. Lets become human again!

John Haley

Legislation passed by a plurality of elected representatives of the people to prevent the state from funding abortions and signed by the governor also elected by the people is now being challenged by a single person sitting on the bench. Please be reminded that government in our state and country is to represent the people and the sense of right and wrong held by the majority. If it takes a direct vote by the people to determine what we do or do not support, then allow a direct vote to take place. I support SJR 4.

David Johnson

Dear Legislator,

I am writing to inform you I fully support SJR4 and its passage. We must protect the most vulnerable among us!

Judy Eledge

Anchorage AK

Alaska Representatives

I support SJR4 because every life is precious we must stop this insanity of butchering babies we know this is wrong we must stop

Cindy todd

Good afternoon,

I have been an Anchorage resident for 16 years, and a homeowner for 10 years.

I am emailing to express my full support of bill SJR 4. American tax dollars should not be spent in such a way that is a blatant disregard of many peoples religious beliefs. Tax dollars are meant to fund a small and efficient government. It is not fair to the tax payer to force us to pay for the irresponsibility's of other people.

Thank you for presenting this bill to Alaskans.

Jordan Stevenson

I support SJR4. I believe that life is precious at any age and stage.
Please consider supporting SJR 4.

Thank you,

Jody Peck
Alaskan voter

I support SJR 4.

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Carol Carman

I vote no on SJR4. Pls spend your time instead on programs such as sex education and providing better access to family planning services if you want to reduce abortions.

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Ron Johnson

Please support SJ4. Myself and my family believe that the lives of the unborn need to be constitutionally protected.

Sara Jokela

I strongly support SJR 4. Nothing in the Alaska Constitution could ever fairly be interpreted to strip humans of all legal protections at the fetal stage of life, or to require the state to pay for abortions. However, that apparently needs to be made explicit for our judiciary.

Elyce Santerre

To Whom it May Concerns:

> My name is Katie Botz and I am writing this testimony on behalf of myself. I am a FULL supporter of SJR4 because my biological parents kept me alive many moons ago!

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> Please let me explain. Thirty-some years ago, my biological parents already had a family established in Daejeon, South Korea. 3 sons. 1 daughter. My biological father was the sole provider for them home working in a factory, and life was great!

> Then out of the blue, I appeared in my biological mother's womb. Could they have aborted me, knowing that I wasn't a planned baby? I'm sure, but sadly, they didn't!

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> Unlike America, the minute that a baby is born in Korea, the baby is 1 year old. I truly believe they consider the conception of birth in the fetus the beginning of life. My biological parents tried to take me home to the family, but at 1 year and 1 week old (1 week in USA standard) I became ill to the point of being hospitalized. That was when, my adoption papers and letters later, revealed that my biological parents placed me up for adoption, so that I could live, unfortunately.

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> Why did I share that with you?! Because had my biological parents let me live and placed me up for adoption, I wouldn't have been able to help repeal SB91. If my biological parents were to let me die in Korea, maybe I wouldn't have known what it's like to have depression, and/or be pure difficult for anyone in the beautiful state of Alaska! I still question whether or not my biological parents did the right thing by placing me up for adoption, even after all these years. I still question whether or not life as we know it in Alaska is better off not ever knowing who I am, but unfortunately it's not how life was intended for me.

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> There had to be a reason why my biological parents didn't abort me, many moons ago. I'm still trying to figure out why at age 33! If my life is precious and valuable, then why isn't anyone else's? Why did I get to live when I hear people are allowed to perform abortion? It's totally messed up!! My life is TOTALLY not any better than anyone else's in this State!!

Far too many years, Supreme Court has been in violation of the laws which the Legislation branch passed. They should NOT be allowed to shut down ANY laws which the Legislation passed into law. If continues, may I ask the Senate Judicial committee fine the judicial branch for shooting a new law down.

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> With all due respect, I'd like to ask you two questions.

> 1. I respectfully ask that you examine yourself how much do you value a person's life from the moment of the individual's first breath to his/her last breath?

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> 2. I respectfully ask that you examine yourself, where do you consider the beginning of life starts? At the conception, as Korea, or when a child is born into the world?

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> I truly thank you, from bottom of my heart, for reading this.

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> Katie Botz

> Juneau

Dear Senator Hughes,

Thank you for your efforts in regards to your proposed SJR 4 Abortion Amendment. We need this amendment to pass, so that it can be voted on by the people. Our elected officials represent 'We the people' and it is only right that this be put before the people to vote on.

The unborn, who have no voice, are depending on us to be a voice for them. To think that their precious lives are dispensable for the sake of convenience is incomprehensible. To feel that a woman's body is her own and she should have the right to choose, when an innocent baby created in the image of God is being ripped from it's mother's womb in the most horrific way, I ask what about this precious one who has been given no choice?

I absolutely agree with the following excerpt from the SJR 4 Sponsor Statement:

In the past, the State of Alaska has brought forward similar legislation and ballot initiatives passed in other states that have been struck down by the Alaska Supreme Court. Laws that have gone through their due process but have been overturned at the bench have been subject to a series of decisions asserting the existence of a state constitutional right to abortion that protects abortion “more broadly” than does the U.S. Constitution. As a result, numerous laws regarding abortion that would be completely permissible under the federal constitution and exist in other states have been struck down by the Alaska courts. SJR4 would allow Alaska to be on par with other states. It would permit the decisions that Alaskans make to stand, for example regarding parents of minors, unborn babies, and public funding for abortion.

This has been such a travesty and an injustice! I implore the Judiciary Committee to do the right thing and pass this amendment.

Standing In Support,

Jackie Williams

To whom it may concern ,

My name is Wenjie Nusbaum

I have two children who are turning 6 and 8 soon.

There was times that life is very hard .

But my children is my motivation .

I can't imagine where I would be without them .

And they have rights to be born on this world .

I support prolife .

The baby's life is more valuable than the privacy, the money , ect !

Sincerely

Wenjie Nusbaum

To the Chair and members of the Senate Judiciary Committee,

I am sending this correspondence to express my support as an Alaskan for Senate Joint Resolution 4 that is currently up for consideration before you. Having read the language of the resolution, I find it to be adequately succinct and approachable, and believe that it is worthy of being brought before the public for the next coming state-wide election for consideration of adoption into our state's governing charter. I cannot say that this resolution does anything about the holding from the U.S. Supreme Court decision, *Roe v. Wade*, however the resolution self-evidently states that the idea behind that holding is simply not found in our state's constitution, a claim I am in concurrence with. I believe should this resolution be adopted by the voting public, the holding of *Roe v. Wade* will simply be the citing for the "right to abortion" and not the state constitution. I believe a careful clarification like this resolution seems perfectly reasonable and as a question to put to voters of this state, they would most likely see it as a question worthy of their deep reflection and action.

I once again reaffirm my support for Senate Joint Resolution 4 and sincerely suggest that the resolution be passed out of committee so it may make its way to the Senate floor for further deliberation and a floor vote. Thank you.

Respectfully,

German Baquero

My family and I support SJR 4!

We want you to also support SJR 4!

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In His Name,

Linda Shrack

Anchorage Alaska

Senators,

My name is Daniella May, and I live in senate district G represented by Ms. Reinbold. I am contacting you all today to voice my strong opposition to SJR 4. Abortion care is healthcare, and to restrict access to this procedure is absolutely unconstitutional. It is absolutely disgusting that the state is trying to legislate people's uteruses. Outlawing abortion is never a good idea. It doesn't stop the procedure of abortions from happening; it simply makes the procedure unsafe and deadly. The goal of SJR 4 is clear: to erode the Alaska Constitution's privacy protections and equal protection guarantees and to dismantle people's ability to access safe and legal abortion. Please oppose SJR 4—this is not the right move for Alaska.

Thank you for your time,

Daniella May

Eagle River, AK

Please vote for prolife

We do not want the blood of future Alaskans on our hands, nor do we want our hard earned money paying for murder

Marilyn Anderson

Good Morning,

I write today to oppose the proposed SJR4 amendment to the Alaska Constitution. The Alaska Legislature needs to be addressing the very present and timely concerns of budget and unemployment crisis. Using religious fervor to demand that women surrender their healthcare to the State is the very antithesis of the Alaskan way. The sponsor of this bill is proposing to impose her religious morals and values upon every woman in the State of Alaska.

We are facing unprecedented times here and the last thing I would expect is trotting out religious dogma at a meeting of the Judiciary Committee in our Senate.

Regardless of what part of Alaska you represent, your job is to represent all the citizens, religious freedom means the accompanying freedom from religion and the legal protection from people of a faith different from your own. My beliefs allow for the individual to determine their own healthcare and autonomy. I recognize that religious dogma means you have a belief in "Life from conception", mine does not and it is anathema to the American and Alaskan Constitution for others to impose their beliefs over mine.

Respectfully,

Jayne Michelini

Wasilla, AK

Dear Sir or Madame,

Please pass the prolife which would protect our unborn babies in Alaska. They are priceless precious human beings who deserve life.

Thank you.

Patricia Koerner
North Pole, Alaska

Alaska Representatives,

I support SJR 4 because every life is precious. We must stop the butchering of our unborn children through the commercialize industry of abortion.

It is wrong and you know it's wrong. Have the courage to support SJR 4.

Regards,

Bob Lochner

God is pro life or you would'nt be here! Don't use my tax dollars to fund murder of children!

Theodore Estonilo

Hello,

my name is Sean O'Connell. I am from Anchorage Alaska. I am in FULL support of SJR

4. Please protect the rights of the unborn.

Thank you for your time.

Sean O'Connell

Hello,

my name is Theresa Thomas. I am from Anchorage Alaska. I am in FULL support of SJR 4. Please protect the rights of the unborn.
Thank you for your time.

Theresa Thomas

I am writing to voice my support for constitutional amendment SJR 4. Life in the womb and outside of the womb is sacred and should be protected. This is a necessary amendment because of the overreach of the courts and imbalance of power that is present in our state government. Please support this amendment and protect the unborn. Help stand for what is right and speak the truth that ALL PEOPLE are important. Not just people of color, not just people of a different gender, or beliefs, but ALL PEOPLE. How did we ever come to a place where we could believe that a baby is less than or not even defined as a real person? There is nothing more discriminatory and hateful than when a mother/father elevates their personal needs/desires over that of their own baby and then decided to end that life because they don't want to bear the responsibility of caring for it.

~ James Perkins Jr.

Anchorage, Alaska

I want to go more into depth about my story so you understand just how scary this time was for me and knowing that I had abortion as an option saved my life and the pregnancy.

Like I said in my testimony, I am an Inupiat single mother. I was raised in Fairbanks and the majority of the time was spent in foster care. I have experienced a lot of religious households and heard a variety of beliefs regarding abortions via the outlook of a variety of religions and sects of Christianity. The majority of my childhood was spent in one household attending one church, Bible Baptist Church in Fairbanks.

I had often advocated for pro-life laws and funding for programs as a teenager. My life experiences at the time led me to believe that this saved the most lives and led me to focus on all the unborn babies with propaganda that confused the issue.

I married young. We had two children and my ex-husband joined the military. I got to experience more of the world. As a military spouse, I also experienced an even more tight knit women's support community where people's stories were shared by personal stories or rumors. I learned just how vast the needs of everyone in one tiny town were. I also realized that my judgements over the personal decisions of others were based in religious ideas I had accepted as truth as a child. You may agree that our country is supposed to give us each freedom of religion and some religions including the Jewish religion actually push abortions in certain situations.

I started to do research. I learned that giving humans a full and realistic sex education throughout their life actually led to fewer abortions, while laws restricting access and meant to force women and children into giving birth actually increase abortion attempts as well as deaths of the women and children illegally obtaining abortions. I took the pro-choice stance because statistically, it saves more lives.

Sadly, my marriage was extremely unhealthy. After decades of living in unhealthy situations because of my childhood and my marriage, I ended up with some serious mental health issues that heavily impacted my ability to do daily tasks. As a result, I struggled to keep employment and housing. Luckily, when I sought help, help was available to me because Behavioral Health Clinics, Non-Violent Shelters, and other programs were funded so that I could learn what was happening, why it happened, and what I could do to change it. I was taking 4 or 5 medications, only one of which is acceptable for non-high risk pregnant women to take.

Eventually, I started dating. Like I said, I found out that I was pregnant shortly after breaking up with someone. I faced a lot of problems. I couldn't keep taking the medication while pregnant. If I stopped taking the medication immediately, I was at high risk of dying. I had a limited amount of time to find out if I could survive off my medication.

A lot of other factors played into my decision from my financial situation to how far on my journey to mental health I had made it and whether I was willing to risk the progress I made to my relationship with the sperm donor for my youngest. These factors didn't impact my decision as much as the factors in the prior paragraph. I needed time to safely stop taking my meds, experience how my body reacted to the lack of input that managed my brain, and determine if it was possible so I could make an informed decision.

What ended up happening was I had several people who answered my questions without judgement or assuming I was planning on an abortion simply because I asked some questions. I was told how long I had until I legally couldn't get an abortion in the State of Alaska, how long it would take for my meds to leave my system, how long I would need to see how my body reacted after the meds were completely gone, what the process would be if I chose to get one, and support for my situation and how difficult of a choice I was having to make. Sadly, despite the great care, I had to quit cold turkey so I would have enough time for an accurate analysis and could make the best decision for myself and my two children.

I really struggled. I understood that the fetus inside me was alive and I knew the weight of the loss if I chose to get an abortion. I felt so guilty for even considering an abortion even though this pregnancy alone, even if I chose to let someone adopt her despite the fact that I was no longer a Christian nor held the same beliefs about abortion. This impacted my ability to clear my head and make the best decision for my family and my personal health. I did not want to make the decision lightly.

The support they gave me increased my chances of survivability which led me to believe that I could in fact carry the pregnancy out to term. I am evidence that giving women the freedom to govern over their own bodies with input from those with a degree in medicine and factual education leads to fewer abortions. If the laws had been even stricter, I would have chosen to get the abortion. If laws prevent me from accessing certain knowledge or increased the amount of guilt I was already feeling, I likely would have chosen to get an abortion. If I didn't have the constitutional right to talk about my reproduction with licensed medical providers, I would have likely gotten an abortion.

I am also a part of the population that does not identify as Christian. I believe that the life that begins at conception is not the same life that the Constitution was written to protect. This resolution pushes a religious ideology onto a state that is supposed to protect our freedom of religions which includes religions and sects of Christianity that this resolution seeks to stop as we use facts to push back against abortions in the most logical way.

As I have already stated, I oppose SJR 4. Please do not break your oaths and protect our freedoms, from our religious freedoms, to our right to privacy, to our right to decide what to do with our bodies.

If you truly wish to lower the cases of abortion in Alaska, protect our rights. Fund clinics and programs that provide abortions as well as accurate knowledge about the reproductive systems. Make birth control as easy to get as possible. Fund cases of rape and other sexual abuse. Fund programs that help pregnant individuals no matter what their situations are. Provide basic necessities such as food, housing, internet, clothing, diapers, etc.

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Julie Smyth

she/her/they/them

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of Senator Shelley Hughes' proposed SJR 4 Abortion Amendment. We need this amendment to pass, so that it can be voted on by the people. Our elected officials represent 'We the people' and it is only right that this be put before the people to vote on.

The unborn, who have no voice, are depending on us to be a voice for them. To think that their precious lives are dispensable for the sake of convenience is incomprehensible. To feel that a woman's body is her own and she should have the right to choose, when an innocent baby created in the image of God is being ripped from it's mother's womb in the most horrific way, I ask what about this precious one who has been given no choice?

I absolutely agree with the following excerpt from the SJR 4 Sponsor Statement:

In the past, the State of Alaska has brought forward similar legislation and ballot initiatives passed in other states that have been struck down by the Alaska Supreme Court. Laws that have gone through their due process but have been overturned at the bench have been subject to a series of decisions asserting the existence of a state constitutional right to abortion that protects abortion “more broadly” than does the U.S. Constitution. As a result, numerous laws regarding abortion that would be completely permissible under the federal constitution and exist in other states have been struck down by the Alaska courts. SJR4 would allow Alaska to be on par with other states. It would permit the decisions that Alaskans make to stand, for example regarding parents of minors, unborn babies, and public funding for abortion.

This has been such a travesty and an injustice! I implore the Judiciary Committee to do the right thing and pass this amendment.

Standing In Support,

Jackie Williams

Senators: I want to submit this written testimony in support of this legislation to possibly become a constitutional amendment. I listened to a considerable amount of the public testimony today including all of the do not pass testimony. And like one of the testifiers, I am incredibly sad to hear the total lack of regard for the very essence of life of which is the subject of this legislation.

I understand the law concerning the opposition testifiers thought that they have a legal right to an abortion. I also understand the thinking that women are somehow a victim in the scenario of "life begins at conception" legislation. And, as a victim they are entitled to be able to make a choice and/or be recognized as a protected class of the population.

However, none of those questions should be at issue in this decision. This nation was established under a Bill of Rights almost entirely made up of the law of nature and nature's God. Abortion is violation of the natural law of God. It should be extremely frightening to consistently violate the natural laws of God and feel we will somehow be vindicated. We will not be vindicated; payment will required. Because personal responsibility has abandoned us the only recourse is DO PASS on this legislation.

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Christine Hutchison

I am in support of SJR 4. I ask that it be advanced to the people of Alaska to vote on whether they want tax payer money to be used to pay for an elective surgery that will eliminate life. What are the pro death people afraid of? That they will discover most citizens are against abortion on demand using public funds?

Life is created at conception by God. Keep in mind that your mother was pro life when she had you.

Thank You,

Larry Clement

Dear Senate Judiciary Committee,

I oppose SJR 4. Alaskans have a right to make their own health decisions. Restricting access to abortion will lead to poorer health outcomes for Alaskans. Health care decisions should be between individuals and their health care providers. SJR 4 is an appalling attack on Alaskans' health.

Sincerely,

Molly Miller

Kodiak, AK 99615

I am for SJR4 and want it to pass.

Dawna Myers

North Pole, Alaska

Honorable Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee,

My name is Adam Hykes, and I represent myself and my wife, Kayla, for the purpose of this testimony. We are both residents of district P in Homer, AK.

We support SJR 4

Respectfully,
-Adam & Kayla Hykes

Dear Committee Members,

I strongly support SJR4. All individuals are deserving of their God-given right to life. I am a woman. I am a mother. I support the right to life from the beginning. Please pass SJR4.

Thank you,

Annette Deaton
Cordova, Alaska

To show it may concern,

Supporting access to abortions is a basic tenet of human rights; respecting bodily autonomy, and provisioning access to quality Healthcare, should be of the utmost importance to our elected representatives.

As a lifelong Alaskan, it is impossible to ignore the lack of reproductive literacy among our youth, and failing to protect their right to abortions would be an irresponsible and regressive move away from social wellness.

Please consider the consequences of implementing dogmatic changes to our constitution; it should protect freedoms for the majority of our fellow Alaskans, rather than the delicate sensibilities of a select political minority.

Thank you for your time,

Aidan Hunter

Dear Members of the Judiciary Committee:

The Women of the state from puberty to death need to have access to abortion as their fully and protected right.

Please do not restrict that access in any way.

As a classroom educator, science teacher, principal and superintendent I have many incidents where it is so very much needed by both law enforcement at times and adults, and minors at other times to keep from destroying those now living in a lot of ways.

Here are some real incidents you should know about.

A custodian called me (as supt) and told me a stall in the girls (women's) bathroom was very bloody what should she do and was sure a child was in trouble in some way. We contacted the school and had a local counselor got through the school and look for an ill child. In this case it was a sophomore with her had down on a desk in study hall. She had tried to abort a pregnancy by using sharp objects. Very afraid of her very conservative parents will kill her for getting pregnant. Parents were called as the child was being taken to a local clinic with a lady counselor who was very skilled. The parents were very alarmed about how it had taken place and what they had set up. Drove directly to a hospital and with all parties in agreement the pregnancy was ended.

The same lady counselor called me one day and asked me if she could come and visit with me. She suspected that an 11 year old child was pregnant as the child had some revealing questions and wanted to talk about them. She was correct. Parents were contacted and the pregnancy was the result of two minors (male was 14yoa neighbor) playing house. Very innocent. As both families live in small homes where adult behavior was difficult to keep private. (The kids were just "playing house".) and it became very real. The adults did not think a 11 year old should be responsible for a child and even the responsibility for bringing it forward could be very damaging for both of the natural parents. For three days they all explored the full range available then and all agreed to end the pregnancy.

Since I have been in schools teaching or administering since 1967 I could fill pages of examples of ending pregnancies as the best options for all concerned with reasons extending from the worst forms of incest where a father has impregnated his own daughters (plural is correct) — to finding placements for the girls to live with relatives or homes for the term to be carried to grandparents adopting the birth child and many many other options both carried to term and abortions.

When the pregnancy can take place under so many circumstances and responsible adults can help their child or a responsible legal representative can help a child in case of parental incest or other rape and a judge or qualified counselor, nurse or doctor is available all options should be available to the responsible adult.

Biologically my great grand parents could marry at 16 and that was about the age of beginning menstruation. However due to better food and medications that age has steadily gone down until very young girls begin menstruation long before they are mature mentally and physically. 11 to 14 year old mothers are usually not ready to raise a child as they are still children. And those pregnancies due to both innocence and criminal reasons hurt both the child who is pregnant and the birth child.

I have lived and worked in communities where our children in jr. and sr. high schools knew more about the black market of both bad practice and drug related ways to end a pregnancy than I did. A senior girl who had set up a little business on the side to have some money coming in with the boys on the football team advised me she learned about how to abort long before she had much knowledge of birth control. But she had started one of the oldest business in the world right under our coaches and our eyes and questionable knowledge. Lifting here cheerleader skirts at will for a few coins as often as possible. Interestingly enough she retired last year as a nurse and a family of her own. And she became a very understanding counselor for adolescents.

In a mixed community where I was principal I was cleaning out the desks and lockers at the end of the school year helping the custodial staff and getting textbooks and articles of personal clothing and etc back to the right owners. In both I found that the kids when not able to text back and forth (they had rules to shut off their cell phones) they passed written notes instead. In a few desks and in two of the lockers there was a purse and a back pack that held a history of the year in notes. Pretty much a disclosure of the sexual activity of students from grade 7 to 12. Girl to girl Can you do it with HP? Yes about any time I like. Huh Wonder what I am doing wrong????,m[. This was hundreds of notes. (way more activity than I thought) Went to one of the parents I really knew well and said to her that I think your daughter is sexually active. She asked why and I lied about the reason I knew and just said I had heard about the possibility of it and she might want to know. During Thanksgiving Vacation the next year saw the parent she accused me of being extra sensory as the daughter was already pregnant -- The family was LDS but not permissive of pre marital sexual activity and the daughter started school again in our school after Xmas. And was appreciative as the parents were able to stop the sexual activity in their group and more broadly.

I would appreciate you use this for your own decision making. I can assure you that not having good healthy options to unwanted pregnancy is very very vicious to young and most often innocent victims of our emotions and even worse of rape and incest that often ruins the lives of the boys and girls as well as the children who are generated.

I also lived in a community for a while that had a huge business in hunting and fishing with several bars and night clubs that the hunters and fishermen would gather in after the days efforts in hunting and fishing were over. Some would come from most other states for the different seasons spanned most of three months and the waitresses and barmaids were highly tipped. And very often they would marry local owners of business from packing plants, farms, ranches, hatcheries and etc. Noticed that it was a good way to find a husband in areas where men outnumbered women. They were there to find a man more than the one night stands. I know that and you know those moms kids knew how to take care of themselves when they were in jr and sr high school. Moms knew how and what to teach but they never knew what I knew about their parents and I appreciated all their help. I joked with one Mom who came to work in the Moose Horn Bar at that time and she just laughed and said "we have been great contributors to the future of these communities" smiled and left my office.

Please leave this as an adult decision for local families and if needed courts, counselors and judges to figure out what is best on an individual basis. When a custodian brings you an early term forced aborted fetus in a plastic sac with all the blood and related pain and you are the one that has to go find the child mother who had no better help or education about how to be responsible then we are at fault. I never had a child mother die, but if they are so afraid they can not tell mom and dad it happens. And it is ugly. Just" say no" is ok to say, but doing something that works is a lot better way to get the message across.

Please note: These are real events I have noted but I have been in three different states. They are camouflaged a little but these families are still alive and could still recognize themselves in these events. It is primarily for your consumption. Saying that the majority of those affected would not want this bill. They want good adult protections and judgements.

Sincerely

Dr.Spike Jorgensen

Hello,

My name is Kaye Budnik and I am NOT in favor of SJR4.

Thank you.

I support this amendment, I wish to save more babies and I believe this amendment does that.

Thank you

Nicole Thomas

To the Chair, Sen. Reinbold and Senate Judiciary members:

I am a life-long resident of Anchorage, and am proud of our Alaska Constitution and the foresight its drafters had in protecting our right to privacy and equal protection under the law.

I strongly oppose amending the AK Constitution which has served us well over time, and particularly for the intended purpose of this bill to further attempt to infringe upon women's right to privacy and autonomy over their own medical decisions. The government has no placed intruding on a women's decision as to whether or when they will have children.

The sponsor's statement goes at length to express great concern about "unborn children", yet fails to address in any way the harms that can befall women during both unintended and intended pregnancies. Decisions about abortion need to remain between a woman and her doctor. Government intrusion in other countries and states has proven deadly at times when medical care is delayed for women enduring medical complications from pregnancy and abortion is necessary. Abortion needs to remain safe and legal.

Paige R. Hodson, SRA

Senators,

My name is Daniella May, and I live in senate district G represented by Ms. Reinbold. I am contacting you all today to voice my opposition to SJR 4. Abortion care is healthcare, and to restrict access to this procedure is absolutely unconstitutional. The goal of SJR 4 is clear: to erode the Alaska Constitution's privacy protections and equal protection guarantees and to dismantle people's ability to access safe and legal abortion. Please oppose SJR 4.

Thank you for your time,

Daniella May

Eagle River, AK

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Please support SJR4. With such a controversial subject, it should be brought to the voters as stated.
Please help protect the innocent!

Julie Coulombe

Dear Senators -

I am traveling out of state and unable to testify at today's Committee hearing on SJR 4. Not having seen a withdrawal of this incredibly ill-advised, and essentially anti Alaskan (e.g., privacy clause in our State Constitution; wise decision of Roe v. Wade), proposal, I am repeating comments I previously submitted to another Senate Committee. Please pay attention to this full email and message below and enter my comments into the record.

I urge you to withdraw SJR 4 and instead, get on to the important business of passing a reasonable budget, and ensuring education, public safety, health care and other important issues affecting all Alaskans are responsibly addressed this session

Sincerely,

Ann Rappoport

April 16, 2021

Whoever proposed this enslavement is living the confederate's reality and ought be expelled/extracted from my State Legislature. If they are living/imagining a reality in which my body belongs to a misinformed public servant, they are living in a reality that does NOT recognize "liberty, justice, and freedom for ALL!"

Extradition from my Nation is the only future possible for any of this ilk without the ensconced moral fiber innate of OUR Constitution and American civility. Moral fiber that cannot be had without the respect for "...life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness - a free will! Especially clear this is if the maker of SJR-4 is living a duplicitous hypocrisy behind the claim of Christian ethics.

Morality can only be shaped through maturation; it cannot be objectively taught or subjectively bestowed - contrary to what many of these schizophrenic political "hacks" or 'self'-servants (as opposed to 'public'-servants) might be thinking! Which, then, only implies they themselves' are enslaved to some other kind of master and have no agency (free will!) of their own?

"Free-will" literally means I am not enslaved to another. I cannot be 'my brother's keeper' in commanding their lifestyle when it does not comport to my "means" - as if they were a "means to my end!" I can only influence his (or her, "brother" here, is metaphoric) way of thinking through reasoned argument.

SJR-4 proposes this Constitutional abrogation and in so doing, contradicts everything my State's Legislature was elected to preserve (and insure) for ALL of us!

John S. Sonin

Senate Judiciary,

I am writing to you to OPPOSE SJR 4. I am a resident of Alaska, an aspiring mother, and a survivor of Gestational Trophoblastic Neoplasia. Last year, in the midst of COVID, I had my first and only pregnancy that resulted in a complicated type of miscarriage called a Molar Pregnancy where instead of growing a fetus, I grew a tumor. I was fortunate to have health insurance coverage, a team of dedicated healthcare providers, and the freedom under the Alaska constitution to make informed choices about my medical care. Restrictive legislation has no place in the choices that people make regarding their own health and safety. Restrictive legislation could have prevented me from having safe dilation and curettage procedures, necessary steps in removing the growing tumor from my uterus. It could've prevented me from having access to an IUD, again, a necessary decision made to decrease the likelihood of my tumor regrowing. Bills like SJR4 are about nothing but controlling the bodies of people who already have to face tough and personal medical choices. Alaskans should not have to navigate legal restrictions on their healthcare, especially in a time where health crises are at their most challenging due to COVID19. I oppose this bill as a person who wanted pregnancy and lost it, because all birthing people are affected by restrictive reproductive legislation.

Thank you for your time,

Danielle Bedard
Anchorage, Alaska

Please do not proceed with this effort to eliminate the state's constitutional protections of reproductive choice and to prevent a woman's ability to get a safe, legal abortion.

I know from growing up before abortion rights were legal that a woman who could afford to pay a provider and/or travel for an abortion was able to do so. And I remember when women were dieing or seriously impaired by having an abortion from a person with no understanding of anatomy just out for the money.

As Alaskans we have had a high standard and are proud of our constitution and the guarantees of equal protection for all. This includes the protection of reproductive choice, which the Alaska Supreme Court has affirmed as a fundamental right.

I strongly urge you to not interfere with a woman's life and fundamental rights.

Thank you-

Carol Schatz

Hello my name is Glen and I live in Anchorage. I oppose SJR 4.

Thank you.

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Thank you for your time,

Danielle Bedard
Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee -

My name is Leanna Williams and I live in Fairbanks. I am writing to express my opposition to SJR 4. Amending the State constitution to forbid abortion is the wrong choice and interferes with Alaskans' right to privacy and right to access medical care.

Thank you for your time,

Leanna Williams

I strongly encourage you to oppose SJR 4 and to maintain access to safe, legal abortion for all Alaskans. Banning safe, legal abortion in Alaska would endanger women's lives and result in an increase in unwanted pregnancies. I encourage you to support women by supporting legislation that increases women's access to birth control and safe, legal abortion. Please oppose SJR 4.

Thank you,

Stephanie Haskins
Fairbanks, Alaska

Dear Senate Judiciary Committee members,

I would like to state my strong opposition to SJR-4, the amendment seeking to move the issue of a woman's right to healthcare from the court system to elected officials and the general public. As an advanced practice registered nurse and certified nurse midwife, I have seen the peril of restricting abortion access. Women who are panicked and have no safe, legal path to get the care they need turn to less safe options and they are dying as a result. Alaska already holds the notorious title of having some of the worst inequalities in healthcare in the country and some of the worst maternal morbidity and mortality rates among marginalized communities like Alaska Native and African American women.

Let me put it another way. Imagine it is you. Imagine you wake up one night with severe abdominal pain and land in the Emergency Room. Within hours, you have a major abdominal surgery and receive opioids to manage the post-surgical pain. You become dependent on this medication to cope with the chronic pain you develop and pretty soon, you have developed an opioid use disorder (OUD). You try to get help and reach out to a program that provides counseling and resources to people like you but they say they will be closing because a bill just passed in Alaska stating that it is illegal to provide this type of rehabilitative care to people with OUD. Why? Because a proposition was just voted on by the general public stating no programs that provide care to people with OUD can operate in Alaska. Do you think the average voter should be allowed to determine if you receive the care you need to get healthy simply because some are passing judgment that you shouldn't have ended up in this situation in the first place? It's no different with the issue of abortion. NO ONE but a pregnant woman has the right to pass judgment on the circumstances that put her in the awful situation of having to make this decision. Certainly not random elected officials, neighbors or other Alaskan residents.

I cannot understand why the issue of abortion access has become so partisan over the years. There is so much both sides should be able to agree on: providing low cost preventative healthcare and family planning counseling/contraception to women, reducing abortion rates, empowering women to make choices that keep them and their families healthy from the beginning.

Senators: Please stop squabbling and running to your respective corners. Please start working together to safely reduce abortion by improving access to legal and safe care for the women who need it. Alaska deserves better.

Sincerely,

Anjali Madeira, APRN CNM MPH DNP

Vice President, ACNM Alaska Affiliate

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