

C O R R E C T I O N

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 84

Please discard all versions of this Resolution and retain this corrected one.

The correction made is to remove Representative Sutcliffe's name as a co-sponsor.

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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MARTIN

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 84

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Proposing an amendment to the Con-
6 stitution of the State of Alaska
7 relating to the right to life.

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 * Section 1. Article I of the Constitution of the State of Alaska is
10 amended by adding a new section to read:

11 SECTION 23. RIGHT TO LIFE. (a) The right to life is the para-
12 mount and most fundamental right of a person.

13 (b) With respect to the right to life guaranteed to persons by
14 Section 1 of Article I of this constitution and the right to due
15 process guaranteed by Section 7 of Article I of this constitution, the
16 word "person" in those sections and in this section includes all human
17 beings regardless of their age, health, function, or condition of
18 dependency including their unborn offspring at every stage of biological
19 development after fertilization.

20 (c) An unborn person may not be deprived of life by any person.
21 This subsection does not prohibit the enactment of a law permitting
22 only those medical procedures required to prevent the death of a
23 pregnant woman but that law must require every reasonable effort to
24 preserve the life and health of the unborn child.

25 (d) The legislature shall implement this section.

26 * Sec. 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be placed
27 before the voters of the state at the next general election in conformity
28 with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the State of Alaska, and the election
29 laws of the state.