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Dear Honorable Members of the Texas Legislature,

The Pro-Life movement coalesces upon the central conviction that all innocent human Life is equally valuable and must be protected, regardless of age or disability. Protecting innocent human Life from fertilization until natural death is the fundamental role of civil government.

This core belief motivates us, the undersigned, to prioritize protection of preborn children with disabilities, which is the purpose of the Preborn Non-Discrimination Act (PreNDA) in the Regular Session of the 86<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature. Additionally, PreNDA would prohibit discriminatory abortions at all stages of pregnancy when motivated by the child's sex, ethnicity, or a potential disability.

Despite celebratory Pro-Life victories in the last few years, preborn children diagnosed with disabilities are not protected from abortion after five months of pregnancy. These fully formed babies can feel the torturous pain of the procedure used to dismember their bodies.

PreNDA would protect all children from gruesome and painful abortions after 20 weeks whether or not the children are diagnosed with disabilities. Additionally, under the PreNDA legislation, parents would be provided additional resources for and access to life-affirming social and medical services when receiving the news of their child's disability.

Seven states already restrict abortions based on disability and offer compassionate care and counseling services to families (AZ, IN, KS, MN, MS, ND, and OK). Ten have banned abortions due to the sex of the unborn child (AZ, AR, IL, IN, KS, NC, ND, OK, PA, and SD).

Please close this unjust loophole in Texas law and protect tiny Texans from discriminatory abortions by passing PreNDA legislation.

Thank you for your consideration.

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