WRITTEN TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 2324 – PRO-LIFE HEARTBEAT PROTECTION BILL

Chairman Arlen Siegfreid and Committee Members House Federal and State Affairs Committee Kansas House of Representatives RE: HB 2324 – Pro-Life Heartheat Protection Bill

Hon, Chair and Committee Members

Thank you for taking the time to read my testimony. My name is Shara Enos. I am a stay at home mother of two. My family and I reside in Chanute, Kansas. While I am unable to appear in person before the committee today for the hearing on HB 2324, I would like to submit my written testimony in support of the bill for consideration by the committee.

I was very pleased to see the introduction of the Pro-Life Heartbeat Protection Bill. My family and I are Pro-life and are in complete support of this Bill. It is my understanding that this Bill would prohibit abortion after a detectable heartbeat of the unborn child is present. This bill would aid in ending roughly 85% of the abortions occurring in Kansas. It has been drafted by attorneys with legal experience in the appellate courts, including a staff attorney with the American Center for Law and Justice. We feel that it has the best chance of meeting a legal challenge, particularly in the U.S. Supreme Court.

The people of Kansas strongly support heartbeat legislation and in a recent poll a majority of Kansan's agree that if a doctor can detect a heartbeat then the baby should be protected. While I have no personal experience with the feeling of wanting an abortion, all the women that I know that have had one did not have an ultrasound to visibly see the unborn child nor did they hear the heartbeat. All of these women have expressed grief over their rash decision, one that cannot be reversed. I personally feel that a fetus is human upon inception. Additionally, when a heartbeat is detected none can deny the evidence of a human life and human life must be protected. This is the right issue, the right time and it is our duty to save these children now.

Please support HB 2324 and please send the Pro Life Heartbeat Protection Bill on to the full House for action.

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Sincerely.

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