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Bruce Garren, Director of Personhood Kansas, is giving oral testimony for the Federal and State Affairs Committee in support of HCR 5004.

In abortuaries and Planned Parenthood facilities in Kansas today, 25 unborn children will die at the hands of an abortionist. One of those killing facilities is just one hour's drive straight east of this capital building. Since July 1971, when child killing was first legalized in Kansas, nearly 500,000 unborn boys and girls have been legally murdered and our state has become defiled by the innocent blood of these children. For far too long we have allowed this holocaust to continue and chosen to ignore God's command to 'Do not kill' found in his word. By ignoring it, we treat the Lord's commandment with contempt. Additionally, in Numbers, God warns us, "Do not pollute the land where you are, blood shed pollutes the land and atonement cannot be made for land on which blood has been shed, except by the blood of the one who shed it." The blood shed of these children has polluted our once great state. I fear a day is coming soon when we and our children will be required to give an accounting for what we have permitted to happen in our state for nearly 48 years.

I know that some of those who oppose this resolution are concerned that if the amendment passed and the Supreme Court would hear the case through the appeals process, they might reaffirm their Roe v Wade decision. I fear something much worse is already happening. Each generation that grows up in Kansas believes that destroying unwanted children is an acceptable way to rid oneself of the responsibility of a child. Every law that we've passed that does not have as its explicit goal the final ending of abortion and the protection of every unborn child implicitly says that it's OK to kill those children not protected by that incremental law. And every day we delay in standing boldly against this heinous crime against humanity, is one more day that child sacrifice becomes the norm in our once great state.

The stated goal of this constitutional amendment is to ensure the unborn child has the same legal protections that you and I take for granted every day. We have even come to believe we deserve them. If we were to suddenly lose our inalienable rights, equal protection, and due process guarantees we would demand them back. Because of their humanity, the unborn child deserves them as much as we do.

Regardless of the position you personally take on the killing of unborn children in our state, all that is being asked of you is to give the registered voters in Kansas the opportunity to speak their consciences on this crime against humanity.

We have collected nearly 10,000 signatures of Kansas residence who want nothing more than the opportunity to vote on a constitutional amendment to provide protections for the unborn children in our state. Please allow Kansas voters the opportunity to express their consciences by allowing them to vote on HCR 5004.

