

THE PREGNANCY RESOURCE CLINIC OF CLARK COUNTY

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Dear Senator Matt Dolan,

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What would it look like if our state valued life? If our communities were places where mothers and fathers are empowered to embrace life for their children? This is the vision that daily motivates the Pregnancy Resource Clinic of Clark County. Having served our city for over 37 years, the services offered through us to our community are needed now as never before. We value the proposed tax credit bill that would support us and our partners who give to the community through us .

We are a medical clinic providing essential first trimester maternal healthcare. Our services include decision-guided care, pregnancy testing, proof of pregnancy, ultrasound, prenatal vitamins, education on adoption and abortion, post-abortion help and healing, fatherhood support, and parenting classes. We seek to meet every mom and dad where they are with trusted care, support, and resources.

In Springfield, we have seen a significant increase in Haitian and Spanish neighbors. This growth brings with it an increased need for formula assistance. In 2023, we saw a 123% increase in Haitian visits, 77% increase in Hispanic visits, and our formula support grew 96%. Our aim is that 85% of our moms receive OB care by 12 weeks gestation. We bridge the gap between when a mom first finds out she is pregnant, starting her on prenatal vitamins and equipping her with pregnancy education, to when she can first see her obstetrician. Focusing on infant vitality not only serves as a key indicator of maternal and infant health, but is also an important measure of the health status of our community as a whole.

Thank you for serving the state of Ohio. We are grateful for your courage and for the sacrifices you and your family make daily. Your "yes" on this vote helps us serve our community with excellence. This service is an honor and a privilege - one that we do not take lightly. Your support for the tax credit makes a difference for life, through the Pregnancy Resource Clinic of Clark County.

Many blessings,

Nicola Patch, RN Executive Director