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Missouri: A Culture of Life

House Republicans Pass Priority Pro-Life Legislation, Protecting Women & Children

Jefferson City, Mo – Today, House Republicans passed vital legislation to protect women and children and promote a culture of life in Missouri. Handled by Representative Brian Seitz, House Joint Resolution 73, upon voter approval, amends the State Constitution by repealing Article I, Section 36, and adopts a new section relating to reproductive health care.

"When I was first elected, I promised to help create a culture of life in Missouri, and to stand for the unborn," **Rep. Brian Seitz**, R-Branson said. "This legislation reflects Missouri's strong history of protecting life; fixes unclear, problematic language written and funded by out-of-state interests; and strengthens protections for women and children. I am proud to help improve protections for mothers and their children and to give the people of Missouri the chance to do the same."

This critical legislation works to improve health and safety standards for women and children, including:

- Protecting Missourians from medical malpractice.
- Ensuring access to care for medical emergencies, ectopic pregnancies, and miscarriages.
- Requiring physicians performing abortions to have nearby hospital admitting privileges.
- Reinstating health and safety inspections at abortion facilities.
- Returning parental consent for minors receiving medical procedures.
- Clarifying definitions and providing clear guidance on previously vague and widely disputed language.

HJR 73 also provides limited exceptions in cases of rape, incest, medical emergency, or fetal anomaly, which we believe a majority of Missouri voters will support.



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"I will never stop fighting for the life of ALL unborn children in Missouri, and I will continue working to support women in choosing life," Rep. Seitz continued. "I think the Missouri voters are desirous of a culture of life and will support this constitutional change."

Representative Brian Seitz, a Republican, represents Taney County (District 156) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2020. For more information, please contact Rep. Seitz at 573-751-1309 or by email at <u>Brian.Seitz@house.mo.gov</u>.

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