May 29, 2012

Congressman
House of Representatives
House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Re: PRENDA, H.R. 3541

Dear Representative:

Liberty Counsel Action (LCA), on behalf of more than 750,000 members nationwide, would like to express support for the Susan B. Anthony and Frederick Douglass Prenatal Nondiscrimination Act of 2011, PRENDA. LCA focuses on issues relating, in part, to the sanctity of human life, and this Act ensures unborn persons are not aborted because of discrimination based on race or sex. LCA encourages you to vote for H.R. 3541, PRENDA, and will be favorably scoring this bill.

LCA shares Martin Luther King, Jr.’s dream that “one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: ‘We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal.’” PRENDA is a direct step in making that dream a reality by criminalizing the killing of an unborn person because of the person’s race. Martin Luther King, Jr. and our Founding Fathers acknowledged that people’s rights are endowed at their creation, not birth. Thus it is imperative that the government, which was instituted to protect the rights of individuals, protect unborn persons from being discriminated against in the womb.

This protection should not only be based on race, but also on sex and disability. A child is not an object that can be returned because of undesirable characteristics, and in the United States of America, our government and our people recognize that males and females are equal in value and should, therefore, receive equal protection, no matter how young they are. Thus, unborn persons should not be aborted and discarded because of their sex. Additionally, while this bill does not prevent discrimination based on disability, Americans recognize that every human has value, no matter how small, and no matter his or her special qualities. Disability is recognized as a protected class and unborn persons with disabilities should also receive protection under the law.

Liberty Counsel Action encourages you to vote for PRENDA, which takes important steps in ensuring the unborn are not discriminated against for their immutable characteristics, and will be including your vote in the LCA scorecard for the 112th Congress.

Sincerely,

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