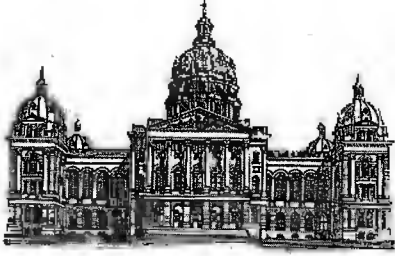


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May 28, 2021

The Honorable Paul Pate
Secretary of State
Hand-Delivered

Re: Transmittal Letter for House Joint Resolution 5

Dear Secretary Pate:

Please find the attached House Joint Resolution 5 for filing with your office and appropriate publication as set out in Section 2 of the Resolution. The Resolution deals with a proposed amendment to Iowa's Constitution relating to adding a section about life.

Pursuant to Joint Senate/House Rules 21(2), this specific type of "joint resolution" does not require consideration and signature by the Governor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Meghan Nelson".

Meghan Nelson
Chief Clerk
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House Joint Resolution 5

A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF IOWA THAT THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF IOWA DOES NOT RECOGNIZE, GRANT, OR SECURE A RIGHT TO ABORTION OR REQUIRE THE PUBLIC FUNDING OF ABORTION.

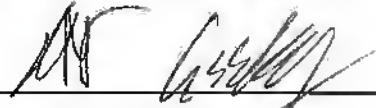
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa is proposed:

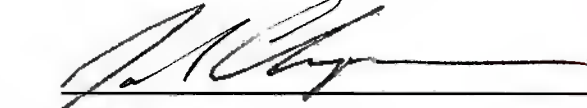
Article I of the Constitution of the State of Iowa is amended by adding the following new section:

Sec. 26. Life. To defend the dignity of all human life and protect unborn children from efforts to expand abortion even to the point of birth, we the people of the State of Iowa declare that this Constitution does not recognize, grant, or secure a right to abortion or require the public funding of abortion.

Sec. 2. REFERRAL AND PUBLICATION. The foregoing amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa is referred to the general assembly to be chosen at the next general election for members of the general assembly, and shall be published as provided by law for three consecutive months previous to the date of that election.

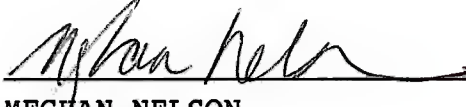


PAT GRASSLEY
Speaker of the House



JAKE CHAPMAN
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this joint resolution originated in the House and is known as House Joint Resolution 5, Eighty-ninth General Assembly.



MEGHAN NELSON
Chief Clerk of the House