

I could not attend the meeting yesterday at the Capitol regarding SB 490 but wanted to implore the senators to vote NO on this bill.

I am a mother of a daughter who felt abortion was her only option years ago unbeknownst to me at the time. I watched my 16 year old daughter get into drugs and alcohol in her attempt to self-medicate away the pain of that decision. Many other self-destructive behaviors followed as a consequence of that abortion decision.

The Hope Pregnancy Clinic here in Salem offers real choice to young mothers(with counseling and assistance), unlike the Planned Parenthood Clinic who only pushed my daughter to have an abortion. There was no followup care to address the feelings and consequences that followed that abortion. Again, I implore the Senators to vote No on SB 490.

Sincerely, Marie Chinn