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I would like to say that I have both had an abortion as a teen and had a child conceived in rape. The abortion is the single greatest tragedy of my life. Woe to the providers and people around me who gaslit me, a vulnerable young woman, into thinking the HUMAN BEING growing in me was nothing more than a blob of cells, that killing that growing human was "healthcare", that it was "normal".

According to a study by the Charlotte Lozier Institute; after just one abortion women are 115% more likely to develop suicidal behavior, 110% more likely to abuse alcohol, 34% more likely to develop anxiety disorders, and 60% of women are coerced into their abortion, primarily from a male partner or family member.

You don't solve poverty by killing babies.

You can't fix the foster system by killing babies.

You can't stop rape by killing babies.

And you aren't pro women by offering to kill her child as a solution to her problems.

The single greatest joy and blessing in my life is my son who was conceived in rape, and who is WORTHY OF HIS LIFE. The circumstances of his conception to not determine his worth.

Additionally, sex abusers and traffickers use sick laws like these to traffic CHILDREN and abuse them without a trace. The state has no right to shield these perpetrators or strip rights away from parents.

I strongly urge you to stop this horrendous law from going into effect and may God have mercy on the souls of anyone who promotes the murder of children and the abuse of women.