



1           WHEREAS, many medical pregnancy care centers offer ultrasounds and other  
2 medical services and provide information on adoption and adoption referrals to pregnant  
3 women; and

4           WHEREAS, pregnancy care centers encourage women to make positive life choices  
5 by equipping them with complete and accurate information regarding their pregnancy  
6 options and the development of their unborn children; and

7           WHEREAS, pregnancy care centers provide women with compassionate and  
8 confidential peer counseling in a nonjudgmental manner regardless of their pregnancy  
9 outcomes; they also provide important support and resources for women who choose  
10 childbirth over abortion; and

11           WHEREAS, pregnancy care centers ensure that women receive prenatal information  
12 and services that lead to the birth of healthy infants, and many centers provide grief  
13 assistance for women and men who regret past choices; and

14           WHEREAS, many pregnancy care centers also work to prevent unplanned  
15 pregnancies by teaching effective abstinence education in public schools; and

16           WHEREAS, the federal government and state governments have increasingly  
17 recognized the value of the services offered by pregnancy care centers and have designated  
18 public funds for such organizations; and

19           WHEREAS, pregnancy care centers operate primarily through reliance on the  
20 voluntary donations and time of individuals who are committed to caring for the needs of  
21 women and promoting and protecting life, and the centers operating in Louisiana are most  
22 deserving of the highest recognition for their efforts.

23           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
24 commend and honor the pregnancy care centers of Louisiana and does hereby strongly  
25 support the positive contributions pregnancy care centers make to the lives of women, men,  
26 and babies.

27           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
28 commend the tens of thousands of volunteers and paid staff at pregnancy care centers in  
29 Louisiana and across the United States for their compassionate work.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana strongly encourages  
2 Congress and federal and state government agencies to grant assistance to pregnancy care  
3 centers for medical equipment and abstinence education in a manner that does not  
4 compromise the mission or religious integrity of these organizations.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana disapproves of the  
6 actions of any national, state, or local groups attempting to prevent pregnancy care centers  
7 from effectively serving women and men facing unplanned pregnancies.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
9 governor, the president of the United States, the presiding officers of the Senate and the  
10 House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States of America, and to each  
11 member of the Louisiana congressional delegation.

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#### DIGEST

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Commends pregnancy care centers of La. and their employees and volunteers; encourages Congress and federal and state government agencies to grant assistance to pregnancy care centers for medical equipment and abstinence education in a manner that does not compromise the centers' mission or religious integrity; and expresses the sense of the legislature regarding actions of any national, state, or local groups attempting to prevent pregnancy care centers from effectively serving women and men facing unplanned pregnancies.

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill:

1. Add title language.
2. Revise "transmit to" language.
3. Make technical and clarifying changes.