

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BAKERSFIELD  
OPPOSING THE PRACTICE OF ABORTION

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WHEREAS, the supreme human right is the “Right to Life” and  
WHEREAS, this nation was founded by those who believed in human rights and the right to the pursuit of happiness, who thus created an instrument in the Declaration of Independence, to insure those rights, and  
WHEREAS, the Declaration of Independence states, “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights and among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness,” and  
WHEREAS, this City Council has declared its trust in the Creator by placing the words “In God We Trust” over the official seal of the City of Bakersfield, and  
WHEREAS, United States Supreme Court rulings on abortion have only held that unborn human beings are “non-persons” and have not held that they are not “human beings,” and  
WHEREAS, the inalienable rights enumerated by the California Constitution include “enjoying and defending life and liberty,” and  
WHEREAS, California Civil Code section 43.1 states that “A child conceived, but not yet born, is deemed an existing person, so far as necessary for the child’s interests in the event of the child’s subsequent birth,” and  
WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Bakersfield establishes the City’s right to “define, prohibit, abate, suppress and prevent all things detrimental to the health, morals, comfort, safety, convenience and welfare of the inhabitants of the City,” and  
WHEREAS, thousands of unborn human beings, inhabitants of Bakersfield, have been killed annually since 1973 in Bakersfield’s abortion chambers, and  
WHEREAS, operators of local abortion chambers have received millions of local tax dollars for the purpose of killing these unborn human beings, and  
WHEREAS, some inhabitants of Bakersfield, seeking to use lawful means to save women and children from abortion, choose to exercise their First Amendment rights by devoting a significant amount of time to interceding for the women and children entering Bakersfield abortion chambers, and  
WHEREAS, thousands of local children have been saved from abortion through the prayers and efforts of local inhabitants, and some of these children are now adult, taxpaying inhabitants of Bakersfield, and  
WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Bakersfield seeks to protect the rights of all taxpayers, now and in the future, and  
WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Bakersfield supports human rights for all human beings and principally for those local human beings unable to speak for themselves,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Bakersfield that unborn children are human beings and that their God-given right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness should be recognized by all.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Bakersfield encourages all City staff and law enforcement officials to respect and uphold the First Amendment rights of all who intercede to save children and their mothers from local abortion chambers.