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Dear Friends and Supporters,

As the new year begins, state legislatures will be taking up the abortion issue. As you know, the SCOTUS *Dobbs* opinion from last year gives states the right to regulate abortion. We expect about half of the states to permit some degree of abortion, and the other half to be more restrictive of abortion. Fortunately, Alabama has one of the most restrictive laws already in place.

With abortions being prohibited in Alabama, we have a much greater opportunity to minister to women who might otherwise have gotten an abortion. There are about 72 pregnancy resource centers across the state. They are seeing an increase in the amount of visits from women. With this increase, we also see a need for more resources.

You may already be supporting a pregnancy resource center in your area. One way to effectively provide support is through purchasing the “Choose Life” auto tag each year. It cost an additional \$50.00, with \$41.25 going directly to the pregnancy resource centers. Since 2003, this tag has produced \$4.4 million dollars for the centers.

John Giles, President of Choose Life Alabama, the organization responsible for promoting the tag, is looking to double the approximate 6,000 tags that are purchased each year. If 12,000 tags are purchased, this will be \$500,000.00 annually going to the centers.

Each year you get a tag renewal notice. When you receive it the next time, go to your tag office and get a new Choose Life tag. You will be doing the women and children of Alabama a great service.

This month’s educational update is an APLC memo on disturbing attacks on the pro-life effort. We fought to remove abortion for 50 years. We know the other side will continue the fight to restore abortion. Discrediting the pro-life community is one way they will try to do that. We address that in the enclosed memo.

Thank you very much for your continuing support of our efforts. With personal regard, I am,

Yours Very Truly,

A. Eric Johnston

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