

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

April 4, 2014

Dear Chairman Kingston:

As you begin drafting the Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services (HHS), Education, and Related Agencies measure, we respectfully request that you include language that would end taxpayer subsidies to Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Inc., as well as their affiliates, in the underlying bill. We appreciate your past acknowledgement of this important issue and write to again express the ongoing significance of this critical issue.

In its 2012-2013 Annual Report, Planned Parenthood revealed it received \$540.6 million in total taxpayer funding—the equivalent of 45% of their annual revenue. An internal audit also revealed that while taking more than half a billion dollars from taxpayers, Planned Parenthood performed 327,166 abortions. That amounts to an abortion every 97 seconds, meaning abortions constitute nearly 94% of its pregnancy outcomes, while the number of prenatal and adoption services remain extremely low.

In the previous Congress, the House expressed clearly its concern for Planned Parenthood's abuse of taxpayer dollars. On February 18, 2011, the Pence Amendment for H.R. 1, the Full-Year Continuing Resolution Act passed with wide bipartisan support by a vote of 240-185. Just months later, the House again signaled opposition to taxpayer funding of elective abortions by passing H.Con.Res.36, the Black-Roby resolution which prohibited funding for Planned Parenthood and its affiliates.

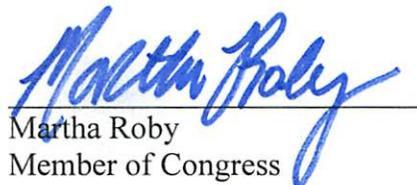
As Congress considers health care reforms under the pressure of rising costs, we firmly believe that organizations that both provide comprehensive health care and respect all life—both the born and unborn—are best equipped to offer the most effective health care services to those in need. For these reasons, we respectfully request your consideration of the will of the House to deny any and all funds to Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Inc. through the Labor-HHS Appropriations bill.

Thank you for your time and attention to this important issue. Should you need any further information, do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



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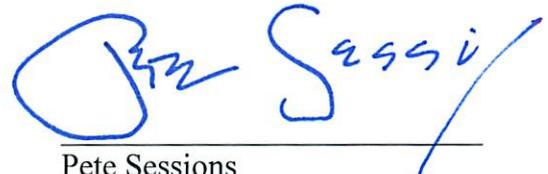
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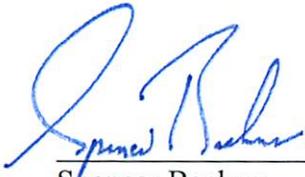
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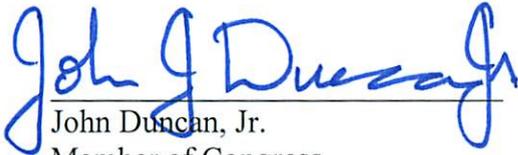
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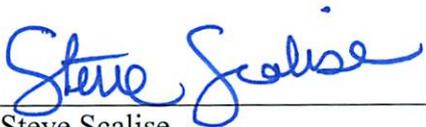
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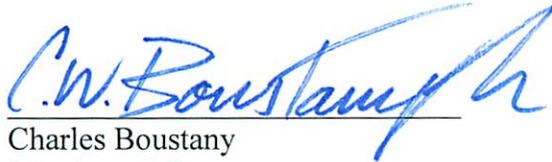
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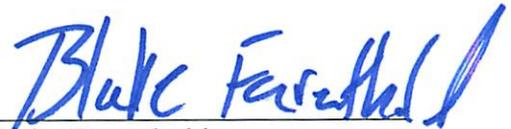
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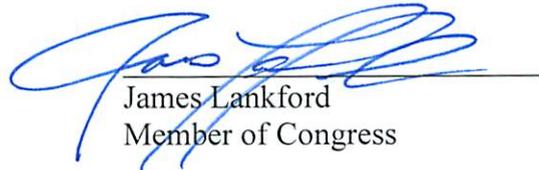
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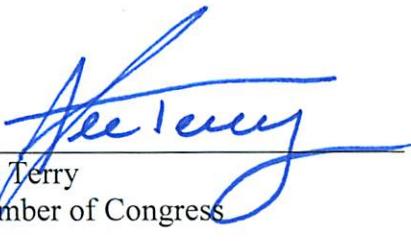
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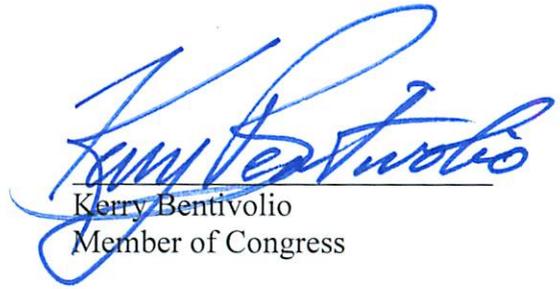
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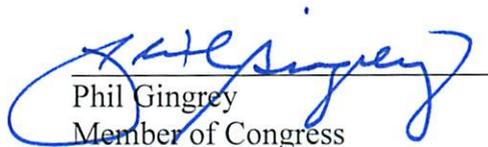
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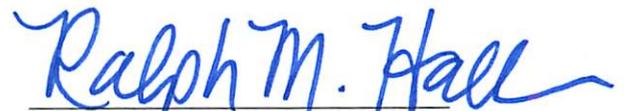
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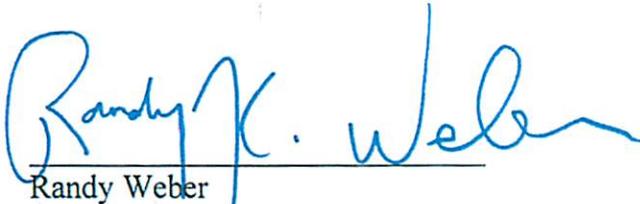
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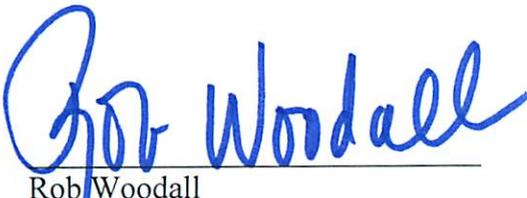
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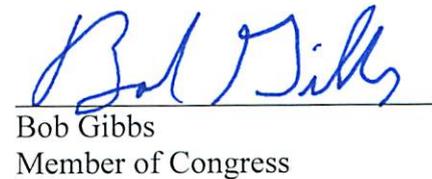
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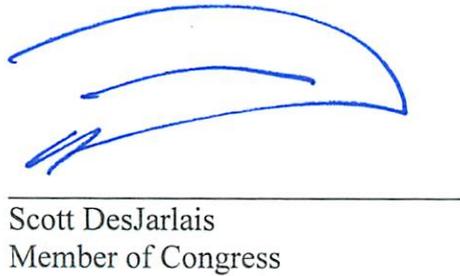
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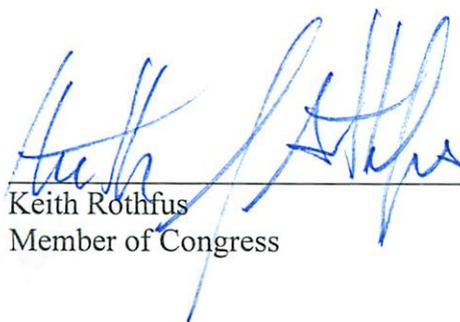
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