Missouri Right to Life Press Release

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GOVERNOR VETOS BILL INCREASING TAX CREDIT DOLLARS FOR PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTERS AND MATERNITY HOMES

The following statement may be attributed to Pam Fichter, President of Missouri Right to Life:

Missouri Right to Life is profoundly disappointed that Governor Nixon has vetoed the tax credit increase for pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes.

This law, when passed over the governor's veto, will save babies and protect women, both adults and minors by giving more dollars to pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes to help women in crisis pregnancies. This assistance helps women choose life for their unborn child and protects them from the dangers of abortion.

Research has shown that the percentage of women who regret their abortion and would have preferred another option is well over 75 percent. Studies also show that post-abortive women are more inclined to abuse drugs and alcohol and suffer emotional and physical trauma. This increase in tax credits for pregnancy centers and maternity homes donors will be an investment in the health and well-being of Missouri women.

These bills, HB 1132 sponsored by Rep. Kevin Engler in the House and SB 638 sponsored by Sen. Gary Romine in the Senate passed with bi-partisan support and veto-proof majorities.

Missouri Right to Life urges all House and Senate members, both Republicans and Democrats, to vote to override the Governor's veto on HB 1132.