

# State of South Dakota

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## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3

Introduced by: Senators Nelson, Greenfield (Brock), Haverly, Jensen (Phil), Maher, Monroe, Netherton, Otten (Ernie), Russell, Stalzer, Tapio, and Youngberg and Representatives DiSanto, Brunner, Campbell, Clark, Dennert, Frye-Mueller, Goodwin, Gosch, Greenfield (Lana), Howard, Kaiser, Latterell, Marty, May, Pischke, Rasmussen, Ring, and Schoenfish

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Committing the Legislature and urging the Governor, the  
2 Supreme Court, and the Attorney General to secure the blessings of life and liberty for South  
3 Dakota's posterity.

4 WHEREAS, the purpose of the United States Constitution is "to secure the blessings of  
5 liberty to ourselves and our posterity;" and

6 WHEREAS, South Dakota Codified Law § 26-1-2 states, "A child conceived, but not born,  
7 is to be deemed an existing person so far as may be necessary for its interests in the event of its  
8 subsequent birth;" and

9 WHEREAS, our children and pre-born children are our posterity; and

10 WHEREAS, our most important blessing is the right to live; and

11 WHEREAS, the right to life of all innocent persons is God-given and unalienable; and

12 WHEREAS, it has been forty-five years since the complicity of the Supreme Court of the  
13 United States in the assault on these core principles in Roe v. Wade; and



1       WHEREAS, an estimated sixty million sixty-six thousand two hundred eighty-nine babies  
2 have been aborted in the United States of America since 1973; and

3       WHEREAS, numerous South Dakota politicians have run for office claiming to oppose this  
4 barbaric and evil practice, yet it still is allowed to occur in South Dakota.

5       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Ninety-Third Legislature  
6 of the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the South  
7 Dakota Legislature commits to providing all pre-born children their God-given right to exist and  
8 commits to appropriate protections by the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United  
9 States Constitution, and emphatically urges the South Dakota Supreme Court, the Governor of  
10 South Dakota, and the Attorney General of South Dakota to take all actions necessary to do so.