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Dear Senator:

The National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), the federation of state right-to-life organizations, strongly supports the provision in the pending reconciliation bill (H.R. 3762) that would block approximately 89% of all federal funding to Planned Parenthood – about \$400 million in the next year.

We reserve the right to include in our scorecard of key pro-life votes of the 114th Congress *any* roll calls on amendments that would remove the provision to de-fund Planned Parenthood (which is designated as Section 101 both in the House-passed base bill and in the pending McConnell Amendment No. 2874). This right-to-score advisory includes, but is not limited to, the pending Murray-Wyden Amendment No. 2876.

The Murray-Wyden Amendment would strike Section 101, and replace it with language to authorize \$1,000,000,000 for “eligible services” (with no exclusion for abortion) for any person “determined by a woman’s health clinic or provider to need services,” and for clinic “security.” Only organizations that provide elective abortions would be eligible to receive these funds (see page 5, lines 7-18 of the Murray-Wyden Amendment).

National Right to Life also intends to score the vote on *final passage* of H.R. 3762 as a key pro-life vote, assuming that Section 101 remains part of the bill. As we said in a recent action alert disseminated to our affiliates nationwide, “*The pro-life vote is to pass the bill, for the sake of the defunding of Planned Parenthood – no excuses!*”

Thank you for your consideration of our position on this vital pro-life legislation.

Respectfully,



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President



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