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Recognizing the 50th anniversary of the Hyde Amendment and its enduring legacy of saving the lives of more than 2,600,000 unborn children and respecting the conscience rights of the American people.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. LANKFORD (for himself, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. JUSTICE, Mr. RICKETTS, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. DAINES, Mr. RISCH, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. BUDD, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. WICKER, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. BANKS, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. LEE, Mr. HOEVEN, Ms. GRAHAM, Mrs. BRITT, Mr. HAGERTY, and Mr. MCCORMICK) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on _____

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the 50th anniversary of the Hyde Amendment and its enduring legacy of saving the lives of more than 2,600,000 unborn children and respecting the conscience rights of the American people.

Whereas September 30, 2026, marks the 50th anniversary of the Hyde Amendment, a longstanding pro-life provision which protects Federal taxpayer dollars from being used to take human life through elective abortion;

Whereas, in 1976, Congressman Henry J. Hyde introduced an amendment, which bears his name, to House of Rep-

resentatives Bill No. 14232, 94th Congress (referred to in this preamble as the ''Hyde Amendment'');

Whereas, in introducing his amendment, Congressman Hyde explained, ''We who seek to protect that most defenseless and innocent of human lives, the unborn—seek to inhibit the use of Federal funds to pay for and thus encourage abortion as an answer to the human and compelling problem of an unwanted child.'';

Whereas the Hyde Amendment was adopted by Congress, shortly after Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113 (1973) was decided, by a bipartisan vote and has been renewed in both Republican and Democratic majorities through the annual appropriations process for 50 years;

Whereas, since 1976, more than 2,600,000 lives have been saved by the Hyde Amendment;

Whereas the Hyde Amendment reflects the bipartisan principle that American Federal taxpayer dollars should not be used to finance abortions, safeguarding taxpayers' conscience rights;

Whereas public funding of abortion makes the American taxpayer complicit in the physical, emotional, and societal harm caused to women by abortion and increases the pressure a woman may already feel to have an abortion;

Whereas the 50th anniversary of the Hyde Amendment provides an opportunity to remember the more than 64,000,000 abortions that have taken place in the United States since the Roe v. Wade decision; and

Whereas every human life in the womb has inherent dignity and worth, is not inconvenient, and has the right to life: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes the 50th anniversary of the introduction of the amendment by Congressman Henry Hyde (referred to in this resolution as the ''Hyde Amendment'');

(2) commemorates the adoption of the Hyde Amendment in 1976, and its continued inclusion in Federal appropriations bills for 5 decades;

(3) honors the legacy of Congressman Hyde and recognizes his leadership in establishing the policy that bears his name;

(4) recognizes the 2,600,000 lives saved by the Hyde Amendment;

(5) affirms the principle that Federal taxpayers should not be compelled to fund abortions in violation of their deeply held religious, moral, medical, or ethical convictions;

(6) recognizes the Members of Congress, advocates, citizens, and organizations that have worked for more than 5 decades to preserve protections for unborn children and to maintain limitations on the use of Federal funds for abortion; and

(7) encourages the people of the United States to reflect upon the history and significance of the Hyde Amendment and the loss of more than 64,000,000 babies through abortions that have

taken place since Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113 (1973).