

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION O

November 10, 2009, Introduced by Senators PATTERSON, RICHARDVILLE and BROWN and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by adding section 28 to article I, to establish the right to life of all human beings from the beginning of their biological development.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to establish the right to life of all human beings from the beginning of their biological development, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE I

SEC. 28. (1) EVERY HUMAN PERSON HAS A RIGHT TO LIFE, WHICH IS THE PARAMOUNT AND MOST FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT GUARANTEED UNDER THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THIS STATE.

1 (2) WITH RESPECT TO THE FUNDAMENTAL AND INALIENABLE RIGHT TO
2 LIFE, THE WORD "PERSON" APPLIES TO ALL HUMAN BEINGS, IRRESPECTIVE
3 OF AGE, RACE, GENDER, HEALTH, FUNCTION, CONDITION OF DEPENDENCY,
4 INCLUDING PHYSICAL OR MENTAL DEPENDENCY, OR METHOD OF REPRODUCTION,
5 FROM THE BEGINNING OF THEIR BIOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT, INCLUDING
6 FERTILIZATION.

7 (3) THE LEGISLATURE SHALL IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION BY
8 APPROPRIATE LEGISLATION.

9 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be
10 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election
11 in the manner provided by law.