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HAMILTON, GOEBEL AND HELFRICK, FEBRUARY 7, 1977

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 7, 1977

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Making application to the Congress of the United States to call
2 a convention for drafting and proposing an amendment to the
3 Constitution of the United States to guarantee the right to
4 life to the unborn fetus.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby resolves as follows:

7 Section 1. The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of
8 Pennsylvania (the Senate concurring) hereby makes application to
9 the Congress of the United States, in accordance with the
10 provisions of Article V of the Constitution of the United
11 States, to call a convention for drafting and proposing an
12 amendment to the Constitution of the United States to guarantee
13 the right to life to the unborn fetus by doing the following:

14 (a) With respect to the right to life guaranteed in the
15 United States Constitution, provide that every human being
16 subject to the jurisdiction of the United States or any state

1 shall be deemed from the moment of fertilization to be a person
2 and entitled to the right to life.

3 (b) Provide that Congress and the several states shall have
4 concurrent powers to enforce such an amendment by appropriate
5 legislation.

6 (c) The purpose of the Constitutional Convention shall be to
7 only consider the above and no other business.

8 Section 2. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall transmit
9 certified copies of this resolution to the President of the
10 Senate of the United States and to the Speaker of the House of
11 Representatives of the United States and to the President of the
12 Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the
13 Legislatures of each of the other forty-nine States of the
14 United States.