

Petition to the New Jersey Legislature

In 2015, over 100 Pro-Life leaders from across New Jersey met at a Leadership Summit to advance the cause of the unborn child. The group agreed unanimously to start saving babies by ending abortion after 20 weeks in New Jersey.

This goal mirrors legislation in Congress known as the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, which is based on scientific evidence that an unborn child feels excruciating pain when dismembered in a surgical abortion after the 20th week of pregnancy.

The image chosen to represent the "20/20 Project" was a blue and white baby feet symbol which has become an ultra-popular car magnet commonly seen all over the State. Support for the measure has consistently grown because of the compelling human interest in protecting unborn children from the pain of abortion.

Indeed, no European country permits late term abortion as freely as New Jersey does. The limit in France and Spain is 14 weeks while the limit in Germany and Ireland is only 12 weeks.

Republican gubernatorial candidate Jack Ciattarelli strongly supports ending abortion after twenty weeks. His campaign website is clear:

Jack respects that this issue evokes strong feelings from well-intentioned people on both sides of the issue, and his personal position is as follows: 1) Prohibit elective abortions after 20 weeks while ensuring all women have access to high-quality prenatal care and education; 2) Support parental notification for minors seeking an abortion - the fact that a 16-year-old in New Jersey needs her parents' permission to get her ears pierced, but not get an abortion is absurd; 3) Oppose taxpayer funding of abortion; 4) Oppose the so-called "Reproductive Freedom Act" signed into law by Governor Murphy that allows abortion up to the moment of birth; and 5) Support education and innovative approaches to reduce teenage and unwanted pregnancies.

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Therefore, we, the undersigned, respectfully ask the members of the New Jersey Legislature and candidates who will be elected to the General Assembly to end abortion after 20 weeks and repeal the current laws allowing abortion up to and including the day of a child's birth.

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