

United States Senate

October 4, 2015

To the San Antonio Family Association:

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your courageous stand to protect the most basic and fundamental human right – the right to life. As you give a voice to the voiceless and continue to save the lives of the unborn, you are making a difference that will impact America for generations to come. Your efforts on the front lines of your community give strength to those committed to the fight to defund Planned Parenthood.

There is no doubt we face an uphill struggle, even battling against those who promise every election year to stand for life. It should be a simple matter for our leadership to safeguard innocent life and to say we will not send taxpayer money to a private organization that is undergoing criminal investigations.

Nevertheless, I will continue to lead the fight in the Senate to defund Planned Parenthood. The time for show votes is over. Funding the federal government does not require funding Planned Parenthood. Basic decency and our commitment to life requires that we stop taxpayer funding of a group that negotiates the profits of children's body parts. This is about the very soul and character of our nation.

Defending the right to life is critical to our founders' promise of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Without life, there is no liberty. It is because of the work that you are doing to protect life that I am confident that we can end the horrific practice of abortion in America. Until that day comes, I will stand resolutely with those fighting to defund Planned Parenthood and protect God's precious gift of life.

Gratefully,



Ted Cruz
United States Senator