

February 2, 2019

The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo  
Governor of New York State  
NYS State Capitol Building  
Albany, NY 12224

Dear Governor Cuomo,

On January 22<sup>nd</sup> you signed into New York State law the Reproductive Health Act. This law significantly expands access to abortions at all stages of pregnancy and allows late-term abortions of un-born babies up to the day of delivery.

Governor Cuomo, taking the life of one who is innocent in order to save the life of another is never the prerogative of man. It is only the prerogative of God, the author and giver of life, who alone has the right and the wisdom to do this. He did this 2,000 years ago though the death of His innocent Son to save all who place their faith in Jesus Christ for salvation. In supporting and signing this legislation you have essentially usurped the place of God in deciding who lives and who dies, who has a right to life and who does not.

This law is defended because it allows abortion if necessary to protect the life of the mother. However, this half-truth hides the whole truth: it allows for abortion not merely to protect the life of the mother—but for emotional, psychological, socio-economic, and familial reasons. In other words, a woman may choose—or be talked into—taking the life of her full-term unborn baby for reasons like stress, losing sleep, financial impact, or the color of the child's hair. A fully viable child, capable of smiling and feeling pain, will be killed in the womb while literally tens of thousands of loving, stable families wish for and wait to take that child into their own home.

Governor Cuomo, with all earnestness I plead with you in humility to repent and return to the professed faith of you father, former Governor Mario Cuomo. We are all sinners who deserve God's judgment. But God has offered forgiveness to those who surrender their life to Him through faith in His Son Jesus Christ. *If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared* (Psalm 130:3-4).

If you choose not to turn your life over to God, I would be remiss if I did not tell you of two eternal realities which far transcend all the media clamor and politics which fill your life today. First, what is written about you in newspapers and the history books of men has no value. In a few short years your own life will come to an end. Then the history book written by God will include your name as Governor on a long list of bloody tyrants including Pharaoh and Herod, who slaughtered the Hebrew children. Second, on the day of your death, you will no sooner close your eyes on the light of this world, than open them to find yourself standing before the Judgment Seat of Almighty God—surrounded by the very babies murdered through abortion now sitting in judgment of you—the same God in Whose image these babies were created.

Sincerely,

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