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# H. RES. 302

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to crisis pregnancy centers.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 5, 2001

Mr. SCHAFER (for himself, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. SHOWS, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. PITTS, Ms. HART, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. PENCE, Mr. AKIN, Mr. FORBES, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. KENNEDY of Minnesota, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. GRUCCI, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Mr. SHUSTER, Mr. TERRY, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. FERGUSON, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Mr. VITTER, Mr. GOODE, Mr. COX, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. TIAHRT, and Mr. GUTKNECHT) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to crisis pregnancy centers.

Whereas more than 2,500 crisis pregnancy centers across the United States meet the comprehensive physical, psychological, emotional, and spiritual needs of women and men facing unplanned pregnancies;

Whereas crisis pregnancy centers offer women in economic hardship free pregnancy tests, counseling, and childbirth and parenting classes they could not otherwise afford;

Whereas many crisis pregnancy centers offer ultrasound and adoption services to pregnant mothers;

Whereas crisis pregnancy centers encourage women to make positive life choices by equipping them with complete and accurate information regarding their pregnancy options and the development of their preborn child;

Whereas crisis pregnancy centers ensure that women are receiving prenatal information and services that lead to the birth of healthy newborn infants;

Whereas crisis pregnancy centers provide women with compassionate and confidential counsel in a nonjudgmental manner regardless of their pregnancy outcomes;

Whereas Federal and State governments are increasingly recognizing the valuable services of crisis pregnancy centers through the designation of public funds for such organizations;

Whereas many crisis pregnancy centers work to prevent crisis pregnancies by teaching effective abstinence education in public schools; and

Whereas crisis pregnancy centers operate primarily through reliance on the voluntary donations and time of caring individuals who are committed to caring for the needs of women and promoting and protecting life: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2               (1) strongly supports crisis pregnancy centers

3       for their unique, positive contribution to the indi-

1       vidual lives of women, men, and babies—both born  
2       and unborn;

3               (2) commends the compassionate work of tens  
4       of thousands of volunteers and paid staff at crisis  
5       pregnancy centers across the United States;

6               (3) encourages the Congress and Federal and  
7       State government agencies to grant crisis pregnancy  
8       centers assistance for medical equipment and absti-  
9       nence education in a manner that does not com-  
10      promise the religious integrity of such organizations;  
11      and

12              (4) decries the actions of any national, State, or  
13      local groups attempting to prevent crisis pregnancy  
14      centers from effectively serving women and men fac-  
15      ing unplanned pregnancies.

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