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To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
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Dear Mayor Wheeler and City Council,

My name is Cyndi Davis and I am a resident of the outlying community of Happy Valley. Thank you for your service to the city of Portland. I have watched you each serve our city with compassion and a desire to make it a beautiful place to live.

I want to address your reaction towards the state a Texas in regard to the ban on abortions after 6 weeks. I would like to encourage you to not move forward on restricting business with Texas or city personnel from this state. Although I have concerns regarding the means of how the new Texas law is enforced, I do agree with protecting the lives of the unborn.

There are multiple reasons to protect the life of the unborn child, but today I would just like to focus on the current slogan often chanted by adults who would like to protect the freedom of choice, “My Body, My Choice”. Scientifically, this is a false claim. The choice is not regarding her body, but rather a second body that is growing within her. The woman will enter the clinic and will exit the clinic. It is the second body growing within her that will be brought to an end. If there is a body that should have the choice, it should be the body whose life is being taken.

Portland has a reputation of compassion for others. I want to encourage you to take a courageous step in extending compassion to the most vulnerable in our society, the lives of the unborn. I pray for each of you by name, asking God to give you strength and wisdom for the many challenges you address.

Respectfully submitted,

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