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Dear Friends and Supporters,

We have recently been doing legal analysis of Alabama's gambling laws. On January 26, 2017, I testified before the Governor's Advisory Council on Gaming. Over the last many weeks, the Council has had testimony from a wide variety of interests and experts, but the members were being given misleading information about Alabama's law. Alabama's law is clear and consistent in prohibiting electronic bingo.

My testimony before the Council was accompanied by an expert's opinion on the unlawful slot machines being operated at Victoryland and Wind Creek in Wetumpka. The machines did not fit the legal requirements of the Alabama Supreme Court. I believe this information was compelling for the Council. We will provide a summary of my presentation and give a more complete report as this develops.

We have also been working with the prolife community for it to pass the most effective and needed laws under current circumstances. Last month's Educational Update was the form of letter sent to legislators. This month's Educational Update gives additional information and updates on that.

We have all watched with interest the inauguration of President Donald Trump and the protests of those who are not happy with it. The latter has been promoted and exaggerated by mainstream media. Trump is taking on the media. No one has ever done that before. It will be interesting to see how that turns out. At the same time, it is regrettable that activist liberals cannot accept the peaceful transition of power that America has always enjoyed. They are extremely bad losers. Many of us were not happy when Barack Obama was elected President, but we accepted that reality.

In the Bible book of Judges, God used men and women as "judges" over Israel, many of whom were not of God. Yet, God brought about His purposes. Many believe Donald Trump is being used by God and we pray he is or will be a man of God, and above all, that God will use him for His purposes.

There are many things for which we need to be in prayer. Please join us in our efforts and we very much appreciate your support. With personal regards, I am,

Yours very truly,

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