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Dear Friends and Supporters,

This month's Educational Update addresses the next step in the very sad saga of attempted sex-change operations on minors. SLI is grateful to have participated in the Alabama part of the legal process. We are grateful the Alabama Legislature stepped up and passed the law to protect minor children. We are grateful the United States Supreme Court upheld the right of the state to protect proper medical standards, particularly for minors.

We continue to work with the Alabama Legislature on important issues. One of the most important this year is the effort to protect church meetings from aggressive protesters. After what happened in Minnesota a few weeks ago, it became apparent that states need to have laws to protect worshippers from those who disagree with religious principles. Particularly, Christians and their positions on various cultural issues invite disagreement from radical elements.

Thus far in hearings, Democrats have opposed the legislation. They have said things like: "what if family members get into a fight at church?" or "would Jesus be arrested for turning over tables?" It is difficult to understand this ridicule of reasonable and necessary protections. Rather than seek to cooperate on necessary laws, they grandstand on idiotic pomposity. SLI's work on drafting a bill that will provide protection to churches.

Unfortunately, we are finding that leadership is not supportive of further legislation at this time to stop abortion pills from coming into the state of Alabama. There are various efforts, particularly in Louisiana and Texas, to deal with the issue. We look forward to successes there. We also continue to encourage the Trump administration to order the FDA to stop the procedure of permitting the medications to be sent though the mail. Thus far it has taken no steps to do so.

Thank you for your continuing support. With personal regards, I am,

Yours very truly,



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