

## Statement by Molly S. White

### The Celebration of the one Year Anniversary of the end of Roe.

I would've never had an abortion if it had been illegal. I was a young, naïve, impressionable young woman when a doctor said to me, "You're pregnant, but don't worry about a thing. You can have an abortion and your life will be all back to normal." He then wrote the phone number of an abortion clinic in Austin, Texas on a prescription pad and handed it to me as he left the room. At that moment, he planted a seed that I would've never thought of. I was very tormented and conflicted on my way to my appointment at the abortion clinic.

*If a doctor recommended an abortion, it can't be bad. If it's legal it can't be a baby (fully formed), yet.* These thoughts ran through my mind as I battled with trying to rationalize an abortion and the maternal tugging in my heart. At the abortion clinic, I was told "it" was just a tiny clump of cells and that the procedure had no risks, and that "my life would be all back to normal, again". I have regretted my ill informed decision to abort my baby for over 40 years, now.

I thank God ,and all the concentrated efforts over the past 49 years that finally brought an end to Roe vs Wade. Now, we must continue our efforts to comfort the hurting women and men who lost children through abortion and encourage and celebrate pregnant women and motherhood.

What pregnant women need is support, encouragement, and resources to bring their children into this world, not abortion. I have spent over twenty-years sharing my personal abortion testimonies to: bring an end to legal abortion, educate the uninformed of its lifelong, traumatic aftermath, to encourage pregnant women to have and raise their

babies; and, to comfort women who are hurting from that irreversible decision. Of the nearly 50 years of legalized abortion in America, I have never seen anything good come from it.

To life.

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