

## Suggested Pulpit Announcements on “Decline to Sign” Pro-Abortion Initiative Petition

These can be read or put into bulletins up to and including Sunday May 5, 2024, which is the final day for collection of signatures that have to be submitted to the Missouri Secretary of State:

- Extreme abortion groups are attempting to put on the ballot an amendment to inject abortion into the Missouri Constitution. Decline to Sign it! It is so extreme it would even allow abortions late in pregnancy after the unborn child can survive outside the womb. Because it would be added to the constitution, it could repeal current health and safety laws that protect pregnant women.
- If someone asks you to sign a petition, read it first. They might mislead you by saying it is for women’s health – or even that it is pro-life. They might even try to tell you that you can sign it – and still vote against it later. Don’t fall for their deceptive arguments. Decline to Sign it, and tell family members, friends and co-workers to Decline to Sign!
- Don’t let lobbying groups and out-of-state special interests inject abortion politics into the Missouri Constitution where it doesn’t belong. Decline to Sign any abortion initiative petition because it could legalize unlicensed abortion clinics in our neighborhoods – even near our schools and churches!
- There is an initiative petition being circulated in shopping centers and elsewhere which would alter the Missouri Constitution by adding a right to abortion. It is so extreme that if it passes, it could give power to judges and the government to force Missouri taxpayers and our health insurance plans to fund other people’s abortions throughout pregnancy. Decline to Sign it!
- Decline to Sign any petition that lets lobbying groups and the government take away the right to life of the unborn, end protection of pregnant mothers and steal your rights and freedom! Read any petition first, and if it claims to be for “reproductive freedom” or something like that, it’s a trap! Tell family, friends, neighbors, coworkers and everybody to Decline to Sign.