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MCC Praises Federal Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act

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Similar Victory Over Partial-Birth Abortion Sought in Michigan

(LANSING) - Capping an almost decade-long effort to outlaw partial-birth abortion, the Michigan Catholic Conference (MCC) today praised the enactment of S.3, the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act, the leadership of President George W. Bush and the courage and strength of the members of the Michigan Congressional delegation who voted to pass the bill.

“Today’s signing of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act is truly an historic moment,” said MCC President and CEO Sister Monica Kostielney, R.S.M. “This is an achievement for life, a great victory for women, for unborn children and for all Americans. I commend the leadership of President Bush and the members of the Michigan Congressional delegation who supported this bill for their efforts to end such a ghastly procedure.”

In the almost 10 years since legislation to ban partial-birth abortions was first considered in Congress, the partial-birth ban has enjoyed strong support from an overwhelming majority of the American people.

“Leadership has been shown on so many levels and it truly takes the fortitude and determination of countless people to accomplish such a feat,” said Sister Monica. “There is still plenty of work to be done regarding abortion, but I am confident that all of the dedicated individuals who fought for today’s victory will continue their efforts with the same level of steadfast vigilance.”

“I am also confident that concerned parties will soon come together to achieve a similar victory over partial-birth abortion in Michigan.”

The Michigan Catholic Conference is the public policy voice for the Catholic Church in this state.