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Please do not think that the abortion industry cares about it's clients, because it is an abusive and coercive business. I have stood in front of planned parenthood in Baltimore on Howard Street for almost 5 years and constantly see abuse and coercion. Frequently, obviously abusive men bring women there that they are pressuring to have an abortion and I have even seen a man slam a woman's head into a building window before marching her inside the planned parenthood and the security guard did nothing about it. I know of parents and grandparents telling the young woman that they have brought there that if she doesn't have an abortion, she cannot come home. I see women crying before they go into the planned parenthood and no one inside apparently cares and these women come out crying after the abortion and will probably cry for the rest of their life.

As an example, a woman on the day of her sixtieth birthday stopped on the sidewalk one day to tell me her story. At the age of 15 and as a totally innocent virgin, she had been raped at gun point by a total stranger and when that had resulted in a pregnancy, her parents forced her to have an abortion at the planned parenthood location of that time, but now 45 years later, she still cries about the loss of that child. Other women have told me how the emotional distress that followed an abortion caused a downward cycle in which they resorted to drugs and alcohol to try to quell their sense of grief and guilt. I know that if a woman client inside the planned parenthood is wavering as to whether or not she wants an abortion, pressure will be placed on her even to the point of mind control techniques, such as putting the mifepristone pill on the client's hand and telling her that she must take it right away before it melts in her hand. This may be why during this past month of January,2022 at the building next to the Baltimore planned parenthood the organization called Options @328 had 20 requests for the abortion pill reversal.

Abortion has an immediate effect on two lives. It harms the mother and kills a human life, her child. Do you really think that a person or organization that is paid to kill a life really cares about the welfare of a client?

Please recommend that this bill be passed!