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The Honorable Terry Branstad  
Governor, State of Iowa  
1007 East Grand Ave.  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Governor Branstad,

The Family Leader asked that I share with you the actions I took in Louisiana to defund Planned Parenthood in response to the gruesome videos that were released.

The first video that surfaced showed a Planned Parenthood Federation of America senior director describing how some Planned Parenthood affiliates are contracting with companies to sell organs and tissues harvested from aborted babies. Since then, nine more videos have been released which show in detail Planned Parenthood's abhorrent practices and disregard for human life.

After viewing the first of these videos in July, I directed Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH) to investigate the current activities of the organization and also requested that the FBI and the La. Inspector General's Office assist DHH in investigating this alleged criminal activity. DHH then sent a series of questions to Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast demanding answers regarding their business relationship with Stem Express as well as their practices regarding the alleged sale of the remains of aborted babies. Finally, at my direction, DHH notified Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast of the termination of their Medicaid contract with the state of Louisiana, for cause.

I encourage you to watch these videos and to take similar action in your state as well. If you have any questions about the specific actions our state has taken to protect life, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bobby Jindal", is written over a faint, larger version of the signature.

Governor Bobby Jindal  
State of Louisiana