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Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

You have gathered on the steps of California's Capitol to restore reason and right to the budget process. We cannot stand idle while our representatives cut vital health and human services pushing more women to the desperation and despair of abortion. The women and children of California deserve better.

The Legislature and Governor must make the choice to give life and hope to the families of this great state. The persistent funding to Planned Parenthood betrays the social covenant our leaders owe to us and to our future. We call on our leaders to eliminate this funding and restore hope.

Governor Schwarzenegger, Speaker Karen Bass, and President Pro Tem Don Perata need to hear the voices of those who come together with one heart. Challenge them to be reasonable, to do what is right and bring back hope to the families of California.

Please carry this message to our representatives. We are calling for the best that California can give to her people. Be assured of our prayers and support as you lift your voices in praise of God's precious gift of life. May the Lord's grace and joy be with you as you do His work.

Respectfully,

William K. Weigand and Jaime Soto  
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