

January 31, 2024

The Honorable Mike Johnson  
Speaker  
United States House of Representatives

The Honorable Charles Schumer  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate

The Honorable Hakeem Jeffries  
Minority Leader  
United States House of Representatives

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Minority Leader  
United States Senate

Dear Speaker Johnson, Minority Leader Jeffries, Majority Leader Schumer, and Minority Leader McConnell:

As leaders in the pro-life community, we write to voice our approval of recent Congressional efforts to expand the Child Tax Credit (CTC), and urge Congress to work together in the coming days to ensure a meaningful CTC expansion becomes law.

For decades, the pro-life community has advocated on behalf of vulnerable women and children in our communities. The overturning of *Roe v. Wade* represented a monumental step toward protecting the dignity of life in our nation, but this was just the beginning. Advocating for a culture of life should include supporting financial relief for needy parents and children, particularly during pregnancy and in the early years of child rearing. It is right and just to defend the right of children to be born into the world, but that alone is not sufficient. Our nation needs to create the conditions for children and families to thrive.

We applaud Congressional efforts to expand the CTC. We particularly applaud the recent focus on expanding resources available through the tax code for families with multiple children, as well as increasing refundability levels for low-income families with little tax liability. It shows our lawmakers' enduring commitment to celebrating and defending the lives of children, as well as the parents raising them. We offer our support in this important effort and urge Congress to continue on until an expanded CTC is codified, to the benefit of millions of American families.

Sincerely,

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