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July 15, 2015

Attorney General Chris Koster
Missouri Attorney General's Office
Supreme Court Building
207 W. High Street
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Dear Attorney General Koster,

I was recently made aware of an undercover video of Deborah Nucatola, Planned Parenthood's Senior Director of Medical Research, discussing the organization's role in harvesting fetal tissue and organs for the purpose of selling the remains. These revelations are not only horrifying, but also clearly illegal on many levels.

For instance, if the activities described in the video are occurring in Missouri, it is a felony punishable by up to \$50,000 and seven years in prison to sell a body part from a dead body under section 194.275, RSMo. Also, section 194.378, RSMo., provides that the mother of a deceased unborn child has the right to determine the final disposition of the remains. Moreover, section 194.410, RSMo., provides that it is a crime for any person to knowingly sell any human remains without the right of possession to those remains. A first offense is a class A misdemeanor and subsequent violations are class D felonies.

In addition, Planned Parenthood provides services that are included under the definition of merchandise under the Merchandising Practices Act. If Planned Parenthood in Missouri is not informing women that the remains of their unborn children are being harvested for sale or Planned Parenthood is performing a type of abortion service without the woman's consent, two practices the national executive alludes to in the video, Planned Parenthood is in violation of section 407.020, RSMo., which is a felony offense.

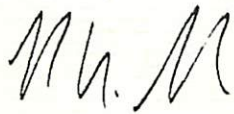
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Because of the possibility that Planned Parenthood is violating several Missouri laws prohibiting the sale of human remains and deceptive medical practices, I demand that you use the authority granted under Chapter 407 to immediately conduct an investigation into whether the horrifying and criminal practices described on video by a national executive at Planned Parenthood are occurring in Missouri. Given the apparent admissions by Ms. Nucatola that her organization, which operates in part in Missouri, is harvesting and trafficking human body parts, it is legally and morally imperative that you investigate and bring any violators to justice.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Schaefer", written in a cursive style.

Kurt Schaefer
Senator – District 19

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