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**Subject:** RE: Discussing Deceptive Anti-abortion Centers

Good afternoon, Rep. Daley:

You are my state representative. We spoke at length on primary day at Penn Wynne Elementary school. I am one of the Republican Committee Members in LM 14-1. I was also recently grafted into your district after having been in the 149<sup>th</sup> for two decades. I am in receipt of your e-mail below and could not fail to respond as your constituent.

While I appreciate that we are not going to agree on the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death, or abortion policy in general, I must take issue with your vilification and misrepresentation of the heroic work done at Crisis Pregnancy Centers (which you pejoratively term "Anti-Abortion Centers"). You thoughtlessly indicate that "on the surface," they "sound like an earnest service provider for a newly pregnant woman or girl." You further (falsely) state (without evidence): "[t]he truth is . . . their main goals all seem to be centered on stopping women from learning about or choosing from the health care available to them in Pennsylvania." You also refer to unnamed centers being "caught spreading misinformation about safe abortion care."

Before sending e-mails like this out, you may want to ask yourself if you have ever even been in a Crisis Pregnancy Center? Have you ever spoken with the many women served by these heroic facilities or the workers who selflessly labor in them? Crisis Pregnancy Centers provide shelter and assistance to pregnant women and their children. Period. The staff and residents of these centers strive to work together to create a beautiful home and a welcoming community. They foster an atmosphere in which each person is genuinely loved and supported in order that they may thrive in both the center and beyond. The homes mostly offer practical and material assistance as well as spiritual and emotional support to empower mothers and their children, enabling them to cultivate meaningful relationships, develop life skills and achieve their goals. That doesn't sound too terrible, does it?

You owe it to yourself to tour a Crisis Pregnancy Center and meet with some of the staff you callously besmirch and the residents whose life-changing experiences you thoughtlessly dismiss, so you can learn more about what you disseminate. I would be happy to arrange a visit. You will be shocked at what you actually see.

Thank you for your courtesy and attention.

-Christian Petrucci



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