President Donald Trump
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Dear Mr. President,

Your administration has already made historic inroads into unwinding the failures of your predecessors. On the issue of abortion – the human rights issue of our day – the court appointments you championed corrected an abuse of discretion as Supreme Court Justices in 1973 invented the "right" to end life in the womb, which remained in place until the *Dobbs* decision restored the authority of legislators – state and federal – to address abortion as an issue of life and death. But in the interim, *Planned Parenthood*, the flagship of the abortion industry, infiltrated government programs, mandates, and healthcare to such a degree that <u>hundreds of millions of dollars</u> have been lost.

We write to you today, asking that you demand that your federal agencies across the board, and at the *U.S. Small Business Administration* (SBA) in particular, <u>begin the process of debarment</u>, so that you will finally be able to tell *Planned Parenthood*, "You're fired."

The work that the GOP did in the "Big, Beautiful Bill" made it possible to cut *Planned Parenthood* from Medicaid funding for one year, a move that abortion supporters vehemently opposed, claiming that *Planned Parenthood* was "qualified" to get federal funds. Those claims of being qualified to participate in programs were the heart of the abortion industry's argument in *Medina v. Planned Parenthood South Atlantic* as well.

But *Planned Parenthood's* track record shows that they should not be allowed to receive a single penny of taxpayer support. They are unqualified to work for the American taxpayer. Given the many complaints against them, the debarment process will allow the federal government to officially find them unqualified and therefore ineligible to participate in any federal programs or to receive any federal funds.

The accusations are severe. U.S. Senators Rand Paul and Joni Ernst have already appealed to the SBA for *Planned Parenthood* to be debarred, drawing the agency's attention [1]"to the unlawful participation of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA) in the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP)."

Many of us signing this letter have also raised the alarm about the bad acts of the nation's largest abortion vendor and distributor of sterilizing, wrong-sex hormones to vulnerable young people. *Students for Life Action* (SFLAction), in our own detailed letter to the SBA, asked for a debarment investigation because of reports of illegal trafficking of human remains, of investigations into Medicaid fraud, of repeated failures to report sex crimes, and of legal accusations of operating a racist work environment.

In that letter, SFLAction notes that even Democratic Party leaders have praised the process of debarment and encouraged its use.

<u>In a 2022 letter</u> to Attorney General Merrick Garland and Deputy Attorney General Lisa Monaco, Sens. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., and Ben Ray Lujan, D-N.M., demanded that the *Department of Justice* (DOJ) get busy with debarment activities.

They wrote: "Agencies possess broad authority to suspend and debar individuals and entities that engage in criminal conduct or pose a risk to the public interest. The Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) permits an agency to debar an entity if it is convicted of or receives a civil judgment for 'any ... offense indicating a lack of business integrity or business honesty.' An agency can also debar an entity based on just a 'preponderance of the evidence' for 'any other cause so serious or compelling a nature that it affects the present responsibility of the contractor or subcontractor.' Before or while a debarment is being considered, agencies can suspend a contractor if there is 'adequate evidence' that suspension is necessary to protect the government's interests. Agencies also have a wide latitude to link contracting companies to the misconduct of any of their employees – including top company executives – as long as the misconduct 'occurred in connection with the individual's performance of duties for or on behalf of the contractor, or with the contractor's knowledge, approval, or acquiescence."

The letter is a template for the authority of a Trump Administration to act, something taking place now as *Health and Human Services* (HHS) <u>pursues debarment of *Harvard University*</u>.

Mr. President, your leadership in righting the wrongs unleashed by past administrations is also vital on issues like the need to end illegal abortion-by-mail distribution and to demand a real FDA and EPA review of Chemical Abortion Pills. Those policies have been deadly and exacerbated the harms of abortion.

But the power of the purse has been abused to favor *Planned Parenthood*. Abortion is federal as long as those who profit from it receive our unwilling support.

Planned Parenthood has shown itself to be a viciously partisan organization committed to selling deadly products that end the lives and the fertility of too many vulnerable young people. Mr. President, please direct the SBA to investigate the accusations against Planned Parenthood and debar them, fully severing them from all taxpayer resources. Our federal resources need to be invested in hope and a future for our youngest and most vulnerable citizens.

Sincerely,

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