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Why I Celebrate the Overturn of Roe

As a woman hurt by abortion, I celebrate the overturn of Roe...and yet the battle continues to rage at the state level. This is why I am *more passionate than ever* to use my testimony to advocate for life by exposing the abortion industry's lies: It is "good for women," is "healthcare," and "that it's not a baby."

I was 18 years old, a college freshman — my boyfriend and I were in crisis, desperate for help and guidance at the discovery of our unintended pregnancy.

The nearby women's center failed to explore options. It was "assumed" I should take care of it and get on with my life. A **non-medical** "counselor" lied, telling me it was just a "glob of cells." I was DEVASTATED to later learn my baby's **heartbeat began beating just 22 days after conception!**

Though I was panicky and tearful before and during the procedure, neither the doctor nor the nurse explored this. The procedure was painful - with severe pulling and sharp stabs. Loud suction sounds were interrupted by clumps of tissue. I saw blood in the tube. I remember it as if it were yesterday.

The abortionist's jabbing instrument, coupled with his insensitivity, disdain, and lack of respect felt like a traumatizing violation.

Instead of being "good for me," abortion tore through my life like a hurricane... shattering my life into a mass of broken pieces.

Prior to the abortion, I was an A/B student, homecoming queen, on student council, marched in the band. I was in a happy two-year relationship with my high school sweetheart.

After the abortion — Our relationship imploded. My previous sunshiny personality was quickly devoured by grief, shame, and regret. I became a promiscuous party girl, using alcohol to numb gnawing emotional pain of my decision and the loss of my child. I developed an eating disorder. In my 40's I developed breast cancer, resulting in a double mastectomy.

But beyond the devastation I experienced, I have come to face the reality - *abortion killed my baby, who was an innocent, distinct human being, created in the image of God.*

Thankfully, many years later, through attending an abortion recovery group, and embracing Jesus Christ as my Savior, I was enabled to confront the truth and painful repercussions of my abortion and find heart healing.

I now use my story to IMPLORÉ others — PLEASE don't make the same tragic mistake!

With **life-affirming solutions** such as **Pregnancy Resource Center** FREE services, **Safe Haven laws** in all 50 states, and the **option of adoption** — killing an innocent life is NEVER the solution.