Initiative #74 Amended Draft

Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, add part 9 to article 6 of title 18 as follows:

Part 9

Equal Protection of Every Living Child in Colorado

## 18-6-901. Declaration of the People.

The People of the State of Colorado find and declare that:

- 1) It is tThe will of the People of the State of Colorado shall to uphold the United States Constitution including the Preamble of the United States Constitution, the Fifth Amendment of the United States Constitution, and the Fourteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution securing the blessings of life and liberty to our Posterity.
- The state of Colorado exercises its Constitutional and God-given responsibility to provide a just law of ensure equal protection to all individuals within its jurisdiction.
- 3) It is unethical to kill innocent human beings. Children are fully human, alive, and growing from day one when two gametes combine to form the unique DNA of a new living human being. The child's development is highly organized and complex, including a beating heart on day 18, detectable brainwaves-day 42, feeling pain-by seven weeks, creating blood cells with their own blood type by eight weeks, and displaying unique fingerprints and facial expressions before entering fetal development at ten weeks of lifeby ten weeks. If the preborn child is healthy enough, with normal nutrition, time, and protection, the child will continue to live through birth, typically thirty-seven to at about 37 to 40 forty weeks.
- 4) It is not necessary to intentionally cause the death of a child. Though not always successful, medical personnel shall make every attempt to save all lives. Children must not be dismembered, scalded, poisoned, or caused fatal harm through inhumane treatment.
- 5) A child's bodily autonomy does not diminish the bodily autonomy or protection of others. No one benefits from intentionally harming or taking the life of a child. Children shall be protected, nourished, comforted, and welcomed into the world.
- 6) No human being is property of another human to dispose of at-will. No human being shall be denied equal protection as persons simply because they cannot defend themselves.
- 7) Every living child deserves protection to live his or her one life to the fullest extent possible, without discrimination for, regardless of age, developmental ability or disability, health, prognoses, sex/gender, socio-economic background, origin, nationality, or ethnicity.
- 8) Resources and non-violent alternatives are available for all children and their parents to address individual needs without resorting to violence.

**18-6-902. Definition.** Definition of a Living Human Child. Definition as used in this part 9: "living human child" refers to any living human being from the moment human life biologically begins at conception until the child reaches emancipation as an adult. "Living human child" does not refer to a human child no longer living through natural miscarriage or ectopic pregnancy.

## 18-6-903. Equal Protection of Every Living Child

1) Lawful Protection. A human child shall not be intentionally harmed with the intent to cause death at any time prior to, during, or following birth from the moment human life biologically begins at conception. A living human child must not be intentionally

dismembered, mutilated, poisoned, scalded, or treated inhumanely to cause intentional physical harm leading to disability or death.

- 2) Equal Protections. Every human child shall be protected to live his or her one life to the fullest extent possible, without discrimination. The homicide of a human child at any time prior to, during, or following birth shall be treated fairly and justly in accordance with Colorado statutes §§ 18-3-101 to 107 without discrimination for the victim's age, ability or disability, health, origin, sex, ethnicity, or socio-economic background. Any facility or dispensary engaged in or facilitating a violation of 18-6-903(1) shall be permanently closed and all permits and licenses permanently revoked, regardless of the living human child's age or developmental stage at the time of the violation.
- Enforcement. District attorneys, and councils, and county commissioners shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the attorney general to enforce 18-6-903(1) and 18-6-903(2), including prosecuting close, and must close, facilities and dispensaries engaged in, or facilitating, the intentional harm of a child leading to a child's disability or with the intent to cause a child's death, and. Local municipalities, city councils, and county commissioners shall have the authority to deny any permit, or revoke any permit, for to any facility that may engage in or is engaged in violation of the illegal activity pursuant to 18-6-9023(1) and Federal Law 18 U.S.C. §§ 1461,-1462.

**18-6-90**34. **Self-Executing.** Sections 18-6-901, and 18-6-902, and 18-6-903 shall be self-executing and supersede any conflicting statutes, legislation, or judgements.

**SECTION 2. Applicability.** This act applies to offenses committed on or after January 1, 2025.

**SECTION 3. Effective Date.** This act shall take effect January 1, 2025, if approved by the vote of the people.