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“Abortion is the ultimate violence” (Robert Casey). Abortion is indeed an act of violence with an increasing number of 3,000 operations happening in the United States every day (Abort73). That is 3,000 babies that are denied the basic human right to live and many mothers that face the damaging consequences of these abortions. With abortion being legal and convenient comes the idea that human life is disposable. Abortion should be illegal because it is unfair to the child, can be damaging to the mother, and creates a culture that is disrespectful to human life.

One of the main reasons that abortion should be abolished, is because it is the process of taking the life of a child. Many people that are pro-abortion argue that the unborn child is not living, therefore having an abortion is not the killing of an innocent human being (Abortion ProCon). However, under the United States’ *Unborn Victims of Violence Act*, the unborn are recognized as living. According to the act, “an embryo or fetus is a legal victim, if they are injured or killed” (Unborn Victims of Violence Act). If it is illegal to harm someone else’s unborn child, then it should not be okay for a mother to kill her own unborn child.

In addition to the unborn baby, in many abortion cases, the mother is also a victim. In the media today, abortion is seen to be an empowering freedom for women. However, many women that have had the procedure deeply regret it (Abortion ProCon). For example, Lori Nerad, a mother who had an abortion, confessed, “I still have nightmares in which I am forced to watch my baby being ripped apart in front of me. I simply miss my baby”. Nerad is among many other mothers who have had abortions and regret it. They suffer from depression and have an increased

risk of suicide (Live Action News). They do not feel empowered after killing their innocent child. They regret their abortion and are permanently damaged from it.

Along with being cruel to the unborn child and the mother, abortion is violent and disrespectful to human life in general. A culture that views abortion as okay is a culture that views human life as disposable. Disposing of human life is throwing away the potential that aborted children may have to make the United States better (Abortion ProCon). Mothers that have abortions may unknowingly be killing children that could be future doctors, firefighters, or leaders to the country. Human life should not be thrown away simply because it is not what the mother wants. For every child that is aborted, there is someone who is looking for a child to adopt. Disposing of human life through abortion reduces the number of children that are available for parents who want to adopt (Debating Europe). Abortion is disrespectful to human life because it throws away valuable human beings.

In conclusion, abortion, with its increasing numbers, is violent and needs to be stopped. Abortion is murder, and murder should not be justified simply because the victim is not born. It causes emotional health issues for the women who regret having the procedure. It also kills children with potential and reduces the number of children that many people would want to adopt (Debating Europe). Abortion should be illegal to protect unborn children, save mothers from having the damaging experience, and protect the idea that human life should be respected.



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