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"The reason for taking RU-486 is to abort a normal embryo that has achieved implantation and would otherwise go on to a normal pregnancy and life. RU-486 is thus properly called an abortifacient. It does nothing to prevent conception."

J.Clarke, McIntosh, M.D., Pediatrician,
pediatric pulmonology research at Duke University

"Of 'pro-choice': How contemptible it is to defend the violent taking of human life by making it a human rights issue!"

George Walker, IV., M.D., Emergency Medicine, Birmingham

"Those who want to preserve the right to abort point to teen-age pregnancy, poor families, and child abuse as their defense. These are serious problems - which have become no better since abortion was legalized in 1973. Abortion is not the easy solution to these problems..."

Steven Alsip, M.D., Infectious Disease Specialist, Mobile

Regarding 'safe sex'; We are abandoning our children - the next generation and our only future - letting them flounder in a sea of relativism, with no compass and no anchor. We expect them to respond to pressure to 'just say no' to drugs; but then hypocritically, we hand them a condom, a device which often produces psychological difficulties and which regularly fails to prevent pregnancy and probably fails even more often to prevent sexually transmitted diseases and death."

Kenneth Elmer, M.D, Pediatrician, Birmingham

"I would say to any teenager, if you are sexually active in today's culture, you have a 100% chance of contracting a sexually transmitted disease of some sort." "I've NEVER had a pregnant patient who has decided to abort her baby, even in the most difficult of circumstances, come back after the delivery and tell me she's regretted giving life to her child."

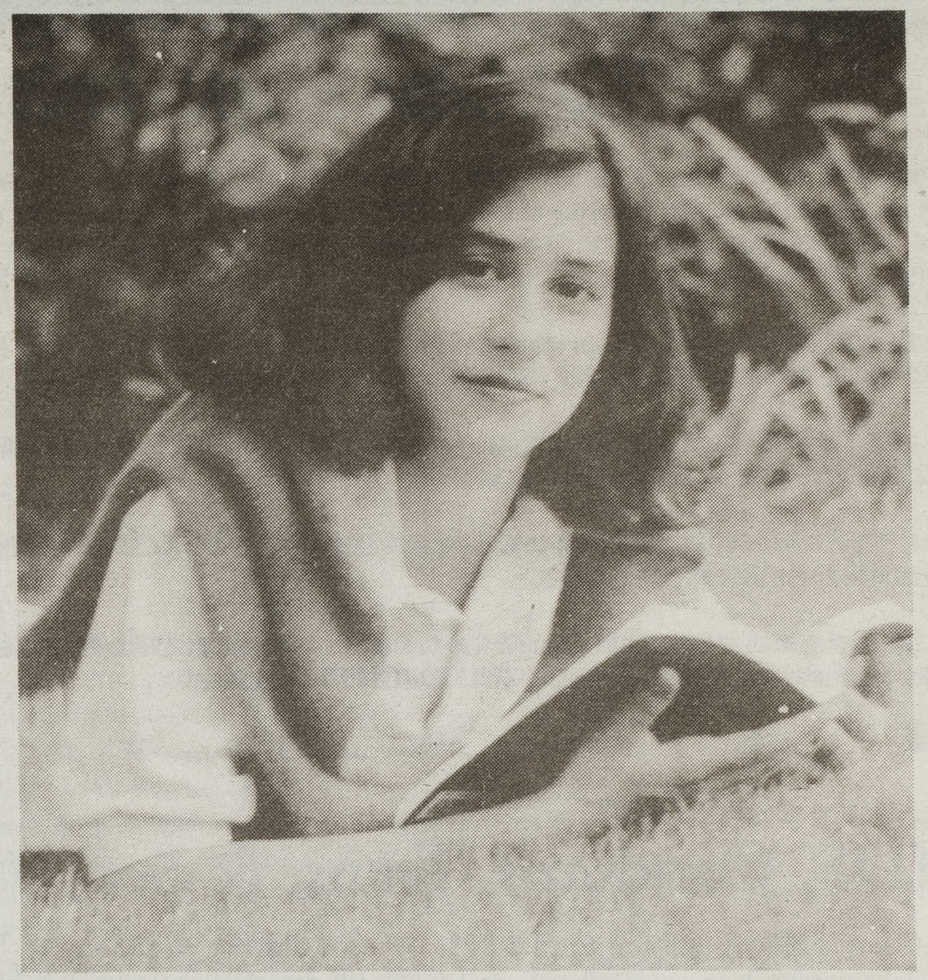
Joe D. McClinton, M.D., Gynecology, Montgomery

"I enthusiastically endorse the work of the Alabama Physicians for Life..."

Arthur N. Hoagland, M.D., Clinical Instructor Dept. of Medicine
Columbia University

"Life is a continuum from conception to natural death. From the beginning of pregnancy we have two separate distinct lives. We have no right to take either life through abortion or euthanasia."

Larry C. Stutts, M.D., Sheffield, AL



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"When my best friend got pregnant, I told her not to make the same mistake I did."

"I know exactly how she felt when she found out she was pregnant. She thought it could never happen to her. She was really scared and confused.

I knew I could help her because the same thing happened to me. I remember people telling me I should get an abortion — that it was the easiest thing to do. I was so afraid of everybody finding out I was preganant, that I didn't take the time to find out what all my options were. I didn't realize how an abortion might affect me emotionally.

Since my abortion, I've learned that there are caring groups of people who can help you when you're pregnant, scared and confused. Now I know that if I had had more information and help during my crisis, I would not have aborted my baby.

So, I told my best friend not to make the same mistake I did. Even though she was scared, I told her to take the time to understand more about her developing baby and the help available to her. Life is just too important.

It's the best advice I've ever given to a friend."

There are alternatives to abortion. . . See inside for groups in your local area who are ready to help you.

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