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STATEMENT FROM BISHOP BRENNAN ON THE SIGNING OF OHIO "HEARTBEAT BILL "

As a fundamental tenet of our faith, the Catholic Church both believes in and teaches the truth that every human life is precious, from conception to natural death. Ohio SB 23, the Heartbeat Bill, is a positive step in advancing current state law to provide greater legal protection to the unborn. It stands as bold challenge to the morality of existing laws supporting the human tragedy of abortion in our communities.

I am pleased that our state government has moved toward greater recognition of the essential right to life itself and taken this important step in safeguarding the dignity of every person.

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