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Kentucky Right to Life's Response to Billboards Promoted by Kentucky Religious Coalition for Reproductive Rights

LOUISVILLE, Ky. - - Kentucky Right to Life and pro-life supporters around the Commonwealth do not disagree with the statement on the Kentucky Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice (KRCRC) billboards, scheduled to go up this week, that "God loves women who have had abortions." But we certainly do not agree with their intent or the philosophy of KRCRC.

Pro-life or pro-abortion, no one is the gatekeeper of God's love, mercy, and grace! The organization erecting the billboards targets women impacted by abortion, yet fails to provide the women and men who have experienced abortion any information or resources on post-abortion healing.

Kentucky is not alone; across the United States billboards are cropping up because abortion organizations and groups have committed to a goal of de-stigmatizing abortion, by lifting up positive messages. These billboards, attesting to God's affection in a sense, present a half truth and only half of the capacity of God's love, setting aside the unborn child whose life and humanity is extinguished by abortion. That precious unborn child, created in the image of God, is also the recipient of God's constant love.

Statistically, one in four woman will have an abortion in their lifetime, meaning one in four children will die as they begin their life journey. We are created in the image and likeness of God, making each of us uniquely individual and irreplaceable.

Kentucky Right to Life has always been, and will always be, unwavering in our support and love for a mother and her child, for the mother and father facing a difficult situation and contemplating abortion, and for the woman who has had an abortion. God is the author of life and our mission and pro-life work is a reflection of God's love. We believe in the intrinsic value and dignity of every life and that all life is sacred. We believe one cannot love the child without loving the mother and that is why support after abortion and post-abortion healing are critical components of the pro-life mission, movement, and ministry.