I write as a County taxpayer in opposition to the proposal to allocate one million dollars to Abortion Access in our county.

Whatever the details may be, the substance of the proposal is to spend one million dollars of our county tax money to perform or further the performance of abortions. Regardless of how proponents may characterize it, abortion is the taking of an innocent human life. Modern science tells us that this life came into existence at the moment of conception. Like all of us at various stages of our human lives, this life needs special care within the womb of the mother. That need for special care, however, does not detract from its humanity, any more than the fact of the need for residential care in an assisted care facility detracts from the humanity of a resident receiving that care.

Abortion is not a health care issue. Taking a human life can never be considered the administration of health care.

Rather than allocating these funds to further the performance of abortion, let’s allocate them to groups that educate expectant mothers as to the life-affirming options available to them or to the care of young mothers and their babies.

As a Council, you must deal with the increasing levels of violence in our County. Abortion is the ultimate violence, violence directed against the mother and the ultimate violence directed against her unborn baby. Stop the cycle of violence. Show that the culture in our County is a peaceful, life-affirming culture. Don’t fund Abortion Access.