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I am voicing my **“total objection”** to the government’s mandate for contraception, sterilization and other objectionable contraceptive practices (i.e. abortifacients) to be included in any/all U.S. health care services delivered by government health care programs. As a Catholic citizen of the United States and a practicing registered nurse I find this unconscionable for any government, especially the United States of America, to force its citizens to pay their tax dollars toward services that persons believe are not only contrary, but heinous acts against the **“life and the dignity of the human person”!**

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I live in the beautiful state of New Hampshire where our motto is **“live free or die”** ... I do not take this motto for granted but I believe whole heartedly that we, the people of the America, have every right to assert and live our religious and personal beliefs of conscience. We are all accountable, in the end, to a “higher power, our Creator”, and we will be judged personally on how we lived our lives in obedience to the Divine law, written on our hearts/conscience and proclaimed in Sacred Scriptures, and also, for me, as taught through the inspired teaching authority of the Catholic Church’s Magisterium.

Sincerely,

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