

February 6, 2024

Attorney General Merrick Garland
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20530-0001

Dear Attorney General Garland:

We write to you today about the remains of 5 preborn children recovered from the Washington Surgi-Clinic in Washington D.C. in 2022, discovered by the D.C. Metropolitan Police. According to evidence and photos, it appears that the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act (*18 U.S. Code § 1531*) and the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act (*1 U.S.C. § 8*) were both possibly violated, and that at least one child was likely a victim of partial-birth abortions – which occurs when a physician delivers a living child for the purpose of performing an overt act to intentionally kill that child. The Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act makes partial-birth abortions a federal crime. Two years have passed since these victims were discovered in early 2022, and yet, despite calls from Congress and non-government entities, there still have not been autopsies performed or an investigation conducted into this matter.

It has now come to our attention that there are reports that the Department of Justice has instructed the medical examiner's office to dispose of the babies' bodies. As Members of Congress, we would like to remind you that the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act, which Congress passed and President Bush signed into law in 2002, guarantees that every infant born alive, including an infant who survives an abortion procedure, is considered a person under federal law. An investigation must be conducted on what happened in the Washington Surgi-Clinic to these children to determine if a crime was committed.

We demand that you immediately halt plans to dispose of these children, as they may well be evidence of a crime. We further demand you stop stonewalling and finally conduct a thorough investigation into the deaths of these children to determine what truly happened, and to hold any lawbreakers or murderers accountable. At the end of this investigation, we encourage a respectful burial of the babies.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and we look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Pat Fallon', with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Pat Fallon
Member of Congress