Statement of the Missouri Catholic Conference on the Defeat of Pro-life Amendment 3

We are profoundly saddened that Missouri voters chose to reject pro-life Amendment 3 and the legal protections for women and children we had hoped to restore.

This result, however, does not mark the end of our work. The Catholic Church in Missouri will continue to advocate for policies that uphold the dignity of every person, protect the most vulnerable among us, and provide compassionate support to those in need, as she has always done. We remain steadfast in our commitment to accompany mothers and fathers facing hardship in their pregnancies and to offer hope and healing to those who have been wounded by the scourge of abortion.

To the Catholic faithful, clergy, and all people of good will who worked tirelessly during this campaign, we offer our heartfelt gratitude.

In the days ahead, may God strengthen our resolve to defend the dignity of every human life. May the following prayer of St. Teresa of Ávila, Doctor of the Church, reignite our hope:

Let nothing disturb you,
Let nothing frighten you,
All things are passing away:
God never changes.
Patience obtains all things
Whoever has God lacks nothing;
God alone suffices.

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