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Dear Friends,

I am pleased to offer my strong support for the mission of Women's Accessible Medical Services, also known as WAMS. This unique non-profit will provide reproductive healthcare and related educational and consultative services in a respectful environment to all women, regardless of their faith, background or ability to pay. Most importantly, it does so based on a Christian understanding of the dignity of every human person.

WAMS accomplishes its mission by offering free pregnancy diagnosis, ultrasound exams, initial prenatal care, nursing consultations, STI testing and STI treatment in a confidential and caring clinical setting. Women also receive education about safe and healthy relationships, pregnancy, fertility awareness, social services and much more.

The mission and goals of Women's Accessible Medical Services acknowledge that every woman, regardless of her situation or means, should be equipped to make informed decisions about her own health. Women deserve to receive sound and helpful information, without being pressured into choices that serve the provider's profit margin rather than the patient's own health and wellbeing. WAMS, a life-giving and life-affirming ministry, provides complete and accurate information about artificial contraceptives and their effects on women's health and conception, as well as local referrals for continued medical care, maternal and infant care needs, social services and professional counseling. In short, WAMS empowers women to take control of their lives without providing or referring for abortion or contraceptives.

I support Women's Accessible Medical Services because this non-profit ministry adheres to the teaching and principles of our Catholic faith, principles we share with many other Christian denominations and non-Christian faiths. Their work supports the health and wellbeing of all women, growing a community that respects the worth of all human life by providing loving and professional reproductive healthcare service to women in Seattle. As someone who cherishes the dignity of human life, I encourage you to support WAMS and its mission.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "J. Peter Sartain".

Most Rev. J. Peter Sartain
Archbishop of Seattle