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Here's what provoked me:

An editorial in the Des Moines Register referred to some Iowa lawmakers' "creepy obsession with women's reproductive choices."

Here's my response:

Creepy Obsession?

The September 27th editorial dealt with the ever-present issue of abortions and the efforts Iowa legislators have made to eliminate public funding thereof through Planned Parenthood. The editorial stated: "Some Iowa lawmakers have a creepy obsession with women's reproductive choices. Elected officials craft misguided laws to target abortion that result in limiting access to health care."

For many of us, that misstates the issue completely. I certainly would never deny PP the right to provide true medical services or any form of healthcare for women – even pregnancy termination services when the life of the mother is at stake. Many of us bemoan only the "abortion on demand" services being provided – not legitimate healthcare.

Many of us sincerely defend the right to life of a fetus and only ask that PP terminates providing those services on demand, or at least totally isolate those services from other services, and budget them separately so that no public funding is involved.

I don't think having "sanctity of life" as a priority is "creepy" at all!