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April 23, 2026

The Honorable Mike Johnson
Speaker
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Johnson:

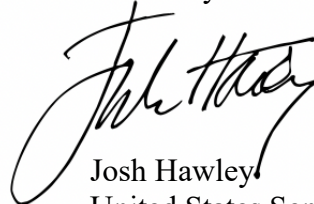
Last night, the Senate rejected my efforts to ban taxpayer funding for transgender treatments for minor children. The ball is now in your court. If the House fails to act immediately as part of reconciliation, billions of Federal dollars will go to Planned Parenthood and other medical “providers” for hormones, puberty blockers, and irreversible treatments for minor children. This is unconscionable. Not one dollar of federal tax money should be used for this purpose. I urge you to act without delay.

Time is of the essence. As you well know, on July 4, the current federal bar on taxpayer payments to trans-treatment and abortion providers will expire. When that happens, billions of federal dollars will be diverted from Medicaid to pay for trans drugs and abortions. The Government Accountability Office (GAO) estimated that Planned Parenthood alone received more than \$1.5 *billion* in funds diverted out of Medicaid and Medicare between 2019 and 2021.

We know what Planned Parenthood will use this money for. A new study by Concerned Women for America finds there has been a total increase of over 40 percent in “gender-affirming care,” “gender-affirming visits,” and “gender-affirming services” at Planned Parenthood and its affiliates. Planned Parenthood is positioned to supercharge its transgender agenda with taxpayer funding taken from the elderly and those in need.

The House must take action now to protect America’s children. As you work to pass a Budget Resolution for a new reconciliation bill, it must include a ban on any federal funding for these trans-treatment and abortion providers. I urge you to act without delay or hesitation.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Josh Hawley', written in a cursive style.

Josh Hawley
United States Senator