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**Planned Parenthood of Kansas and Mid-Missouri
Responds to Closure of Dr. Tiller's Clinic**

**Statement by Peter B. Brownlie
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Planned Parenthood of Kansas and Mid-Missouri is committed to ensuring safe access to women's health services throughout our service area. Women have relied on Planned Parenthood of Kansas & Mid-Missouri for their health care services for more than 70 years. We take that relationship very seriously.

We fully respect and understand the Tiller family's decision to cease operation of Dr. Tiller's practice. Their loss is immense – they have lost a husband, father, grandfather and hero.

Planned Parenthood's health center in Wichita remains open and will continue to provide health care for women. Abortions are not performed at the Wichita health center. The closure of Women's Health Care Services thus creates a significant gap in access for women and families in Kansas – no one is providing that service between Kansas City and Denver.

Planned Parenthood will not speak publicly on plans, if any, to provide comprehensive women's health care in Wichita.

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Planned Parenthood is a vital resource for our community and for women and families throughout Kansas and Missouri. We are a trusted source of health care and education for thousands of women, men, and children. For more than 70 years, women have relied on Planned Parenthood to keep themselves and their families safe and healthy.