

this world. The conditions can be so unbearable, so unjust, so inhumane, that the only thing a mother who truly loves her child can do is to take that child out of this world.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And those who have never confronted this, whose race has never confronted it, could not be expected to understand it.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Chambers, your light was the next light.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, but I think on a subject such as this if Senator Crosby and I could sit down and discuss it in detail, she would never give up, in my opinion, she would never give up her view that life starts at conception, whenever that is, and that when conception occurs there is a full-fledged human being. But what she might do is understand how people, under certain circumstances, would do things that she would never, never be able to do. That's why those songs and statements based on the concept of "walk a mile in my shoes" are so popular. Even the oppressor will reach a point where things are closing in when he or she will say, I want some compassion, I want some mercy. When Madame Marcos was living high off the hog in the Philippines and she and her husband were exploiting the people and growing rich, when time came for her to face the music she did not want to face it. She, as a matter of fact, said in her arrogance, to have a jury of my peers would require an assemblage of kings. How could you expect somebody like that to care for the ones that she would call peasants and peons? But, at the same time, once the heat was applied to her, she wanted the consideration that she never would have extended to anybody else. For those who are staunchly antiabortion, they see only one element to the equation and that's that potential human life that the mother is carrying. But they never consider the woman. People such as myself have to weigh these interests and I can never consider an equation to be fully stated without taking into consideration the woman and the woman must be given consideration and from where I stand and from where I will vote the woman will be given the most consideration. The woman is here. Often, the woman has suffered hell and we have a society that wants to force her to go through more. And if another baby girl child comes into the world, she will be treated just as her mother was and these