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MiCHN Condemns State Representative Koleszar's Attempt to Blame Michigan Homeschool Families for State's Failure to Protect Foster Kids

Lansing, MI - The Michigan Christian Homeschool Network today condemned a <u>social media</u> <u>post</u> from State Representative Matt Koleszar (D-22nd District) that called for increased regulations of homeschool families following an unrelated case of abuse within the foster care system of Michigan.

In response, Michigan Christian Homeschool Network (MICHN) Vice-President Israel Wayne issued the following statement:

"MiCHN is unequivocally opposed to any and all abuse of children, and believe those who abuse children should be prosecuted by the adequate child abuse laws that already exist in our state. Instead of exploiting a false political narrative about home education to make headlines, Representative Koleszar's time would be better spent focusing on improving Michigan's struggling public school system, focusing his attention on the real problems that plague the state's Child Protective Services and the abuse of children in union-backed schools.

"We have fought long and hard in both the courts and the legislature to secure our current Michigan homeschool laws, and today we reiterate our position that we will resist, to the fullest measure, any efforts to restrict the homeschool freedoms that families have enjoyed since 1993. Homeschool families should not be burdened with additional regulations because of a few bad parents who break the law and abuse their children."

The <u>Michigan Christian Homeschool Network</u> (MICHN) was founded in 1984 to advance homeschool freedom in the state of Michigan so that it can be a place for families to freely pass on their values and faith, training their children through home-based, parent-directed, privately-funded home education.