1) DEVOLUTION
Abortion is a devolved issue in NI and the decision on NI abortion law should be left to the people of NI.

2) DISTINCTIVE LAW AND CULTURE
It is important that NI keeps its pro-life laws precisely because law shapes culture, and our culture is one which respects life.

3) HUMAN RIGHTS & EQUALITY
As a human substance, the unborn child is subject to a right to life, and it is the business of the state to protect the right to life of its members. Should the state refuse to protect the right to life of its members it fails in its duty as a state.

4) PERSONAL STORIES
Personally speaking, my wife and I had a baby boy in August this year and at his 20 week scan he was diagnosed with an FFA. Whilst a termination was mentioned to us, it was not an avenue we wished to pursue, and this is precisely because even though it is a tragedy that any child should have these developmental problems, killing the child was not the answer. Not only that, if our child was to die (which he did not, despite the current medical problems that he has), it would not be by our hands (which it would be if we chose a termination).

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