

# Citizens of Missouri

## An Open Letter

Former Senator John Danforth wrote in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch on July 17, 2007 that opponents of human cloning and human embryo destruction “**believe that stem cells are persons.**”

This statement is **nonsense** and a **complete misrepresentation** of the position of the Life Community. Our position is:

**Embryos are human beings,  
and harvesting their stem cells kills them.**

This reality is recognized by Missouri law, which clearly defines human embryos as human beings in Section 188.015(6) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

The disingenuous misrepresentation of the position of the Life Community is not in the public’s interest.