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I would like you to know that object to the N.I.H. (strongly) proposal to rescind its moratorium on funding of research involving human-animal chimeras. (I did not like Greek Mythology either)

I do not want my tax dollars being used for grossly unethical research involving the creation and manipulation of part-human, part-animal beings whose very existence blurs the line between human and non-human animals.

This proposal research raises all the ethical problems related to the creation of human-animal beings w/ partly or substantially human brains +/ or human gametes

I also object strongly to the N.I.H. apparent lack of consideration for the ethical issues implicated by this research. Indeed the N.I.H. pledged to undertake a deliberate process to evaluate the state of science in this area.

I strongly urge you to maintain the current moratorium on funding research involving the creation & manipulation of human-animal chimeras. Sincerely - In the Name of God!!
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Prayer for
Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Loving Heavenly Father, You blessed Saint Teresa with gifts of love and compassion so she could spend her life in service for the poorest of the poor. May we imitate her examples of holiness by sharing our faith and reaching out to those in need.

O Saint Teresa of Calcutta, so compassionate were you toward the sick, the hungry and the unwanted. Your heroic virtues and the graceful faithfulness in which you lived as a servant of God are beautiful examples of your love and union with Him.

We celebrate your canonization and we praise and thank our loving God for your life and generosity.

Help us to serve every person we meet with joy and a smile. Help us to be missionaries of Christ, our peace and our hope. Amen!

Born August 26, 1910
Died September 5, 1997
Canonized September 4, 2016
Feast Day September 5

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→ I object strongly to the NIH's proposal to rescind its moratorium on funding of research involving human-animal chimeras. I do not want my tax dollars being used for grossly unethical research involving the creation and manipulation of part-human, part-animal beings whose very existence blurs the line between humans and non-human animals. This proposed research raises all the ethical problems of human embryonic stem cell research in general and serious additional problems related to the creation of human-animal beings with partly or substantially human brains and/or human gametes.

I also object strongly to the NIH's apparent lack of consideration for the ethical issues implicated by this research. Indeed, the NIH pledged to "undertake a deliberative process to evaluate the state of the science in this area, the ethical issues that should be considered, and the relevant animal welfare concerns associated with these types of studies" when the moratorium was put in place in 2015. Yet, to date there is no evidence of any discussion of the ethical issues involved in creating partly human animals.

I strongly urge you to maintain the current moratorium on funding research involving the creation and manipulation of human-animal chimeras.

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Sincerely,
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