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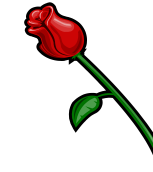
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Planned Parenthood Selling Body Parts of Aborted Babies

A new video shows the top doctor for Planned Parenthood describing how the abortion business sells the bodies of aborted babies. The undercover footage reveals, in the words of Planned Parenthood's Senior Director of Medical Services, Dr. Deborah Nucatola, that selling body parts is business. She calmly eats her salad as she tells two actors posing as buyers from a human biologics company, how Planned Parenthood charges per specimen and uses illegal partial-birth practices to obtain sizable parts.

Assuring the undercover actors she is good at what she does, Nucatola explains, "We've been very good at getting heart, lung, liver, because we know that, so I'm not gonna crush that part, I'm gonna basically crush below, I'm gonna crush above, and I'm gonna see if I can get it all intact."

Planned Parenthood has, predictably, denied that this occurs, despite the video confession of its top doctor. The organization claims that it may 'donate tissue' for 'humanitarian' purposes. That's some serious spin on profiting from body part sales.

As of print time, at least three states have opened investigations in the wake of this revelation. Additionally, the U.S. Congress will be conducting its own review of the Planned Parenthood abortion business following this shocking video. Troy Newman, President of Operation Rescue, has promised more videos on the subject in coming weeks that will lay bare the lies and cover-ups of Planned Parenthood.

Legislative Update

Confirmation of Pedro Cortes as PA Secretary of State

The PA Senate voted 31-18 to confirm Pedro Cortes as PA Secretary of State on 6/2/2015. Cortes was Secretary of State during the Rendell Administration, and under his leadership the Department of State did nothing to stop abortionist Kermit Gosnell from conducting abortions at his “house of horrors” in Philadelphia, despite continued reports from the public. In fact, Gosnell’s abortion facility was not inspected for 17 years. Gosnell was eventually convicted of the murders of three full-term babies and of causing the death of a female patient.

The three PA Senators who represent Butler County – Scott Hutchinson, Donald White and Elder Vogel, Jr. – all voted against Pedro Cortes’ confirmation (pro-life position). Please call or write your State Senator to express your thanks for this pro-life stance.

Governor Wolf and Alternatives to Abortion

Governor Wolf’s proposed budget contains a ZERO percent increase in PA’s funding for Alternatives to Abortion, the program that administers Real Alternatives and that supports Lifeline here in Butler County.

The following state representatives are in a position to help provide the crucial funding that is needed to sustain these programs for pregnant women:

- Rep. William Adolph, PA House Appropriations Committee Chair 717-787-1248
- Rep. Kathy Rapp, PA Pro-Life Caucus 717-787-1367
- Rep. Bryan Cutler, PA Pro-Life Caucus 717-783-6424
- Rep. Matthew Baker, PA Pro-Life Caucus 717-772-5371
- Rep. Bryan Barbin, PA Pro-Life Caucus 717-783-1491
- Rep. Pam Snyder, PA Pro-Life Caucus 717-783-3797

The message should be: “Please increase funding for PA’s Alternatives to Abortion program in the state budget. We need to save babies and their mothers from the harm of abortion.”

Doctor Prescribed Suicide Bills

This year has seen a record number of doctor-assisted suicide bills introduced across the United States, including bills introduced in Pennsylvania. Senate Bill 549 and House Bill 943 were both introduced in Spring 2015; so far, they are still in committee.

Barbara Combs, president of Compassion & Choices (formerly the Hemlock Society) stated in a letter to supporters on 4/29/15: “The movement to expand death with dignity has never

Donations

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Thanks for Your Support!

For the last 37 years, Pennsylvanians for Human Life and Lifeline have sponsored a Mother's Day Tribute in the *Butler Eagle*, headlined "A Tribute to the Sanctity of Life and the Dignity of Motherhood." This honoring of our mothers, living and deceased, would not be possible without the help of many area churches and those of you who participated.

Any profit derived from this Tribute is used for the PHL Newsletter which is free to all members, for the Farm Show booth, for promoting the January March for Life, for videos and educational materials available to anyone who asks, for Lifeline's material needs, etc. Thank you to all who have made this Tribute a blessing to mothers and the pro-life effort.

In addition, your generosity in our annual appeal continues to be impressive and much appreciated. Again, you are the ones - along with our faithful volunteers - who make possible our presence at the Farm Show and Community Night, and help promote the March for Life. Thanks and God Bless!

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Legislative Update (cont'd)

been stronger or more vibrant than it is today."

What can you do to stop this movement towards assisted suicide in PA?

- Visit www.noassistedsuicidepa.org –the website of PA Coalition to Stop Physician Assisted Suicide, and
- Contact your PA representative and senator this Summer, to ask where they stand on these bills, and to request that they vote against them, if they come up for a vote.

If you do not know your PA Representative or Senator, visit www.legis.state.pa.us.

"Dismemberment Abortions"

Two governors (Oklahoma and Kansas) have signed bills in Spring 2015 to ban "dismemberment abortions" – any abortion where forceps or a similar instrument is used to cause the death of the unborn child by purposely dismembering and extracting the baby one piece at a time from the uterus. Passage of this bill essentially prohibits all late term abortions.

The legislation passed in these 2 states is based on model legislation written by the National Right to Life Committee, known as The Unborn Child Protection from Dismemberment Abortion Act.

Again, please contact our PA legislators, to ask them to introduce similar legislation in PA.

Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act

This bill recently passed in the US House of Representatives and has been introduced in the US Senate. We are awaiting a vote in the Senate this Summer.

The Pain-Capable Unborn Child Act would rule that any abortion after the unborn child feels pain (20 weeks gestation) is illegal. Debate on this legislation will be a tremendous opportunity to educate millions of Americans about the humanity of the unborn child and the pain it feels in an abortion.

Fetologists agree that 20 weeks gestation is the time when the baby's pain system is fully operational. There are only 7 countries that allow widespread abortions after 20 weeks, including China and North Korea; we need to end this practice in the United States.

We all should contact our US Senators and let them know that we want them to vote YES on this bill and YES to an override vote, if President Obama vetoes this legislation:

Senator Bob Casey, Jr. 1-866-802-2833

www.casey.senate.gov

Senator Pat Toomey 1-855-552-1831

www.toomey.senate.gov

Pro-Life Activities

March for Life (Friday, Jan 22nd, 2016)

Bus Captains take note: the Bus Companies are already reserving buses for the 2016 March for Life. Last year there was a shortage of drivers and many people were scrambling to get buses at the last minute. Be safe –reserve your bus now.

If you are thinking about taking a bus to the 2016 March For Life and need more information, contact: Gretchen Cararie at gcararie@zoominternet.net or 724 898 2529,

40 Days for Life

What happens during 40 DAYS FOR LIFE? Men and women stand outside an abortion facility, holding a sign that says Pray to End Abortion. In Pittsburgh, we stand at the Planned Parenthood facility on Liberty Ave. Since the first 40 Days campaign in Texas in 2004, the movement has spread to 579 cities in 30 countries. The campaign has documented:

- ◆ 10,000 babies whose lives have been saved by preventing abortions
- ◆ 60 abortion facilities have been closed
- ◆ 118 abortion workers have converted to being Pro-Life
- ◆ Up to 75% “no shows” of abortion appointments, on days that Pro-Lifers are outside praying

Won't you join us this Fall? For more information, contact Nikki Bruni at nbruni@40daysforlife.com

People Concerned for the Unborn Child 2015 Banquet

Date: September 20, 2015

Place: Doubletree by Hilton, Cranberry Twp

Time: 5:00PM

Tickets: \$65.00 for adults/\$45.00 for students

Speaker: Jason Jones, who is the producer of the Pro-Life film, *Bella*, and a frequent guest on EWTN

For more information, contact Claudia at 724-799-5904

Pro-Life Activities (cont'd)

Farm Show

Come visit our booth at the 67th annual Butler Farm Show, occurring August 10th-15th at the Farm Show grounds! It's a great opportunity to remind folks of the sanctity of all human life, which is under constant threat.

We will have giveaways, items for sale and literature/information for distribution. Thanks so much to those who have volunteered their time at the booth. Please stop by and encourage those giving witness to life.

Brian Ellis Community Night

We will also share a booth with Lifeline at the 10th annual Brian Ellis Community Night, to be held Thursday, August 20th from 4pm-8pm at the same Butler Farm Show grounds. If you would like to help to set up or take down, or greet the people at our table, please leave a message at Lifeline (724-282-1200). Thanks!

Recognizing a Pro-Life Stalwart

One of the most active PHL members of the group's Steering Committee has been Mary Jo Koch, who is a stalwart and stoic disciple of life, demonstrated particularly by all the many little pro-life things she does, as St. Theresa said, “with love.”

Her little things have been monumental in terms of serving the poor, caring for the sick, the lonely, the sorrowing, the rejoicing, and writing notes of appreciation to PHL and Lifeline donors. She has spent many hours keeping records, managing projects, recruiting volunteers and joining community projects. And this only begins to touch the surface of Mary Jo's dedication to what is good, holy and productive.

She follows Jesus and loves her family, friends, the Church, Lifeline, PHL, etc. It a joy to know her and to work with her.

So many of us share her concern for keeping the movement going and growing. If you feel called to attend a Steering Committee meeting to lend a helping hand and to meet members, you will find an enthusiastic welcome, especially from Mary Jo (when she returns), and from the entire committee who misses her and all the good work she does.

- Betty Furka