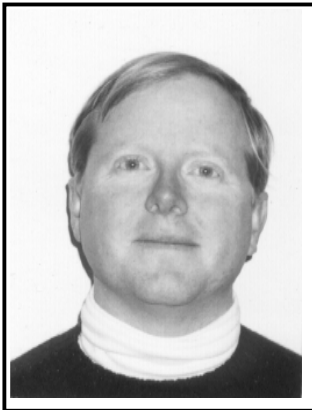


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Reflections on a March

Philip Morrison, NHRTL President

Looking ahead to the upcoming March for Life this January, I reflected a little on this year's march. Last January 25th dawned damp and cold. I was a little afraid that the weather conditions would keep people away from the annual March for Life in Concord. However, my fears were unfounded, as over 200 people came out to put feet to their pro-life principles.

Just as the march began, I was approached by a couple of reporters. Among the questions they asked me were, "Why are you out here today?" and "What do you hope to accomplish?" A little while later, I began wondering whether some pro-lifers might not be asking the same questions. I am sure that there are some pro-lifers who may be wondering what the value is in marching as we do every year at that time. Allow me to explain why I believe it is important that we do so.

Primarily, conducting marches is a way of keeping our side of the issue in the public arena. We cannot count on the media to help us proclaim the pro-life message. In fact, the media,

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MARCH FOR LIFE

S A T U R D A Y
JANUARY 17, 1998

Our Keynote Speaker:
Gordon Humphrey

Former Senator Gordon Humphrey is going to help us mark the 25th anniversary of Roe v. Wade. His keynote address will be part of the January 17 events in observation of the Court's woeful decision which wrenched away legal protection of the preborn.

On this anniversary, hundreds of pro-lifers will brave the cold to stand and march in solidarity for all the babies.

We'll attend church services, march from the State House steps in Concord and past a local abortion clinic, and enjoy a fellowship time for us to get together with old friends and meet new ones.

For now, just save the date and we'll send you the specific agenda for the day in early January! Thanks!



Come march with us for ALL the babies!

NHRTL ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR NOVEMBER 14

In a statement from the office of the New Hampshire Right to Life Committee, Philip Morrison, President of NHRTL, announced the date, time and place of the organization's ANNUAL MEETING. "The ANNUAL MEETING will convene at the Lantern Restaurant, 165 Candia Road, Manchester, at 7:30PM on November 14, 1997," said Morrison. "Since this ANNUAL MEETING is the first in a restaurant, we anticipate a very good turnout." "All members are invited," said President Morrison.

If you have contributed to the New Hampshire Right to Life organization this past year, you are considered a member and therefore eligible to attend as a voting member. Of course, anybody can attend the buffet dinner, priced at \$13.50 per person. Please call New Hampshire Right to Life headquarters office at (603) 626-7950 and reserve your spot by leaving your name, address, and telephone number. Those members who make reservations will be responsible for the \$13.50 per person for the dinner. Those members who desire to attend the business portion of the ANNUAL MEETING only, may do so without charge. The business portion of the meeting will commence at 9:00PM.

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ST. ANSELM'S HOSTS ABORTION AGENTS AT MANCHESTER YOUTH SUMMIT



NHRTL DEMONSTRATED AT ST. ANSELM'S ON JULY 9

On July 9, NHRTL led a demonstration against the participation of abortion industry agencies in the Manchester Youth Summit. This event was hosted at St. Anselm's, a Catholic college, as preparation for a statewide youth summit. The summit intention was to encourage 100 businesses and non-profit youth agencies to nurture and mentor youth.

NHRTL denounced "health" agencies who attended the event which profit from trafficking in contraceptives and participate in the abortion industry. These groups dispense abortifacents, provide abortion referrals to clinics, and even transport minor girls to the abortuaries without parental consent. [NH does not have a parental notification law or a parental consent law.]

The specific offending agencies included Child Health Services (which strongly supports Planned Parenthood), Child and Family Services, and Plus Time. Furthermore, United Way is also an advocate of Planned Parenthood.

"Forging partnerships that benefit youth seems laudable," said NHRTL Vice President Betty Breuder, "however, it is counterproductive to promote agencies that encourage destructive physical and emotional behaviors. Child killing in the womb puts kids at risk for drug addiction, alcoholism, and suicide as they grapple with the trauma of post abortion stress syndrome."

GOOD SIGNS ABOUT CMC

An October 15 Boston Globe report explained that the Catholic Medical Center (CMC) of Manchester merger with Elliot Hospital into the Optima institution is in jeopardy.

Pro-life activists from SAVE-CMC (some of whom are with NHRTL) have been petitioning and picketing and maneuvering for several years to insure CMC stays open as a pro-life hospital. The Globe reported that there are now "demands by the Catholic diocese here that abortions be restricted at the merged facility." This publicity comes awfully late in the process because the merge of many of the hospitals' functions has been completed.

Cautious optimism is in order pending a meeting of the Optima Board of Directors. They shall be reviewing old documents and by-laws which are said to allow the Catholic diocese to terminate the merger if necessary.

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ANNUAL MEETING

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Special entertainment will immediately follow the dinner. The entertainment portion of the meeting will begin at approximately 8:30PM.

The ANNUAL MEETING is mandated to occur during the month of November by the organization's by-laws and is open to all New Hampshire Right to Life members who have contributed to the organization during the past year. The Chair, President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer will be elected by those voting members in attendance. Given that, NHRTL members should understand the importance of attending this ANNUAL MEETING. Trustee and Alternate Trustee candidates will also be elected. "This meeting is the perfect opportunity for the membership to meet current trustees and cast votes for trustee candidates and officers," said Morrison.

Most of the organization's members know and understand that the New Hampshire Right to Life Committee is a statewide organization that fosters respect for human life from conception to natural death. New Hampshire Right to Life defends respect for human life through educational, legislative, political, and social actions. NHRTL seeks to spare precious babies from delivery by abortion. Once you've held a cooing baby that was spared from abortion, any dilemma over pro-life actions quickly evaporates.

New Hampshire Right to Life invites inquiries on life issues and/or participation. Please call (603) 626-7950 or send e-mail to nhrtl@ultranet.com

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THE PLAIN TRUTH ABOUT BIRTH CONTROL — IT OFTEN MEANS **ABORTION!**

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Manchester, NH

One of the greatest tragedies of the Pro-Life movement is that many Christians who oppose abortion are including abortion in their family planning by using forms of birth control which cause abortions. Most modern forms of birth control do not always prevent the conception of life, but work in varying degrees by destroying any fertilized egg or embryo which a couple conceives while using them. Since the Church teaches without error that life begins at the first moment of conception, and that every child must be afforded "unconditional protection" from that point onward, such forms of "contraception" cross the boundary between preventing new life and directly taking the life of an unwanted child whose life was not prevented. The problem is these abortive effects are couched within each method's instructions in language few can understand, and only a small number of Christian churches have shown the courage to stand up for life on this issue.

a) How Does Birth Control Cause Abortions?

Medical treatises, as well the handbook on contraception and abortion entitled *Contraceptive Technology*, and even the *Encyclopedia Americana* define abortion as "the termination of a pregnancy by loss or destruction [expulsion or extraction] of a fertilized egg, embryo, or fetus." Most birth control pills rely upon the effects of synthetic estrogen on a woman's ability to release an egg each month, as well as the effects of synthetic progesterone on the lining of the woman's uterus, or "endometrium", which make the womb inhospitable to life, causing a child that is conceived while using it to be expelled or destroyed. The estrogen does not always suppress ovulation each month, in which case the pill prevents births by relying, in part, on its abortive effects.

In other words, the pill kills! The World Book Medical Encyclopedia confirms this risk, writing, "The estrogen works by preventing ovulation [the release of the woman's egg cell] each month . . . The progesterone has three functions . . . [one of which] affects the lining of the uterus, making it unresponsive to a fertilized egg. . . ." (Pg. 216-217) Most of the time the abortions happen without the women being told about this hidden face of "contraception".

b) These Consequences Have

B e e n Known For Decades:

The abortive mechanism of the pill has been known for many years. The 1969 Physician's Desk Reference mentions it for several of the pills reported therein, and the same language is included in the descriptions for nearly every pill on the market today. One frequently prescribed modern pill, Lo/Ovral -28, a low dose combination pill, states in its directions, "Although the primary mechanism of this action is inhibition of ovulation, other alterations include changes in the cervical mucus (which increase the difficulty of sperm entry into the uterus) and the endometrium (which reduce the likelihood of im-plantation). . . ."

The FDA similarly confirmed the abortive effects of everyday pills this past winter, even approving them in undisclosed doses for use in terminating pregnancies that may have resulted from 'unprotected sex.' In plain language, our government now openly recognizes this truth and has approved the use of the pill to terminate human life.

c) The American Bishops Recognize The Pill & IUD Are Abortive:

These same grave consequences are also reported by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops. They observe in their handbook for marriage preparation, entitled *Faithful to Each Other Forever*, that the IUD "acts as [an] abortifacient", which they define as an "agent or device that may cause an abortion by interfering with or preventing implantation". They also confirm that the pill "may act as [a] contraceptive . . . or may act as an abortifacient by altering lining tissue of the uterus and interfering with implantation." (pg. 43) The teaching of the Bishops, therefore, is that both methods may kill innocent lives.

d) The Supreme Court and Planned Parenthood Admit Birth Control Kills!

In 1989, attorney Frank Sussman as the lawyer for an affiliate of Planned Parenthood argued before the Supreme Court of the United States during hearings on the abortion case *Webster v.*

Reproductive Health Services, 492 U.S. 490, that abortion and contraception are in effect one and the same thing: "For better or for worse, there no longer exists any bright line between the fundamental right that was established in *Griswold* [to use contraception] and the fundamental right of abortion that was established in *Roe*. These two rights, because of advances in medicine and science, now overlap. They coalesce and merge and they are not distinct. . . ."

The most common forms of . . . contraception today, IUDs, low dose birth control pills which are the safest type of birth control pills available, act as abortifacients. They are correctly labeled as both. Under this statute, which defines fertilization as the point of beginning, those forms of contraception are also abortifacients.

Science and medicine refers to them as both. . . . The bright line, if there ever was one, has now been extinguished." (Washington Post, 4/27/89, p. A16.) According to Mr. Sussman, once we embrace the legality of abortifacient "contraception", we also accept procured abortion. These two intentions against life merge into one reality when life is seen as beginning at conception.

In the Supreme Court's response, even the very liberal and pro-abortion Justices Blackmun, Brennan, and Marshall admit contraception can mean abortion. They wrote, "In this case . . . because the preamble defines fetal life as beginning upon 'the fertilization of the ovum of a female by a sperm of a male,' . . . the use of contraceptive devices, such as the IUD . . . operate to prevent pregnancy only after conception as defined by the statute." (492 U.S. 409, 539.) Justice Stevens similarly wrote, "An intrauterine device, commonly called an IUD, 'works primarily by preventing a fertilized egg from implanting.' . . . 'Low-level estrogen "combined" pills — a version of the ordinary, daily ingested birth control pill — also may prevent the fertilized egg from reaching the uterine wall and implanting.'" (*Id.*, at 563).

e) What Are The Chances Of

"Today, the newer methods of the pill have lower doses of estrogen and therefore suppress ovulation less than the original pills, thus increasing their abortive consequences."

Having An Abortion If I Use Birth Control?

Today, the newer methods of the pill have lower doses of estrogen and therefore suppress ovulation less than the original pills, thus increasing their abortive consequences. There is also a "minipill" on the market for women who are sensitive to estrogen, which only contains the synthetic progesterone (or progestin). It allows ovulation roughly 50% of the time each month, and thus its 96-98% effectiveness in preventing births is believed to be much more attributable to its abortive mechanisms. The same is true of the newer implants and injectables, as well as the IUD which primarily prevents implantation.

Taking into account the natural fertility rate of average couples, the rate of ovulation allowed by each method of birth control, and any suppression of fertilization due to changes they maⁿ

cause in the cervical mucus (which when thickened by the pill helps inhibit the transport of sperm to the egg), a couple using a standard form of the combined pill may have between 1-5 abortions over a fifteen year period of using the pill, depending on a number of additional variables. A couple using the minipill, Depo Provera, or Norplant, may have between 5-20 abortions over the same period of time. And a couple using the IUD can expect to risk an abortion every one to four months using it, causing in excess of 20 abortions. Whatever the total loss of human life, one life is too many!

f) The Moral Consequence Of Using Abortive Birth Control:

The Church has consistently condemned the wilful use of methods or techniques intended to obstruct the natural fertility of human sexual relations. Around 400 AD, Saint Augustine adamantly condemned such intentions as grave sin, as did Saint Francis De Sales in 1609, who called contraception a mortal sin. Pope Pious XI again condemned contraception as

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CDC - Center for Damage Control

In his phenomenal expose in the book *Lime 5*, Mark Crutcher reports that the U.S. Center for Disease Control has been cooking the books when it comes to statistics on abortion, morbidity, and mortality.

His organization, Life Dynamics, has "powerful evidence that this cover-up of abortion injuries and deaths is not a matter of bureaucratic ineptitude but is a concerted effort by government employees who have undeniable links to the abortion industry.

The reality is that the CDC doesn't oversee abortion — it justifies it. Just as Planned Parenthood and the National Abortion Federation work to eliminate political opposition to abortion, and just as the ACLU aims to eliminate judicial opposition, the CDC's role is to eliminate medical opposition. Its unofficial motto seems to be "Safe, If Possible, But Legal Regardless."

"Woe to those who decree unjust statutes and to those who continually record unjust decisions, to deprive the needy of justice, and to rob the poor of My people of their rights..."
- Isaiah 10:1-2

A Sidewalk Scenario At the Concord Abortuary

Betty Breuder, NHRTL VicePresident

An hour beneath Concord Feminist "Health" Center says it all. Who are the protagonists in the growing culture of death? A serial abortionist, his entourage, the clinic staff, and clients who hire his "services."

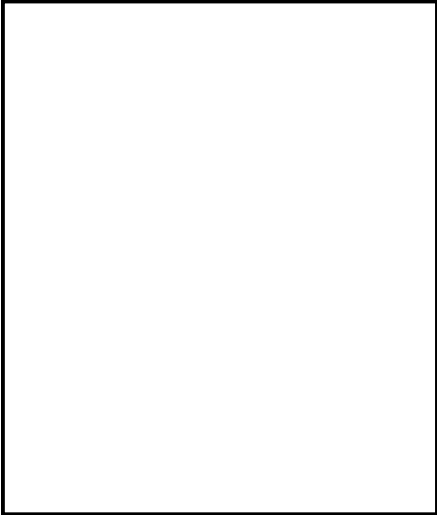
First comes a parade of the **Now Generation**: teenagers with pierced bodies, and beer cans, who sprint up the stairs celebrating their autonomy from the natural and divine laws.; women who callously ignore our pleas to mercifully spare their babies and accept real help from people who care.

Next is the procession of willing and unwilling victims who feel trapped and allow themselves to be pressured by friends, family and circumstances beyond control: The **Expressionless Daughter**, brusquely maneuvered by her neat as a band box mom, bent on tidying up their embarrassing problem.; The **Frightened Teenager** yearning to listen but deafened by her mother who belligerently barks, "Leave her alone.;" The **Tearful Single Parent**

who confesses she has one child but can't afford another. The **Wailing Woman**, muscled in by her male partner.

I'll never forget the barely pubescent **Golden Haired Child** wearing a crucifix, whose boyfriend was clad in a saint's tee, "I know why you're here. We don't need you're help," he hollered. "Besides, my mother is a nurse and midwife and she told us to have an abortion."

Quietly we reasoned, but to no avail. So we returned praying their delay signified a change of heart. But soon they were rejoined by his mother, the professional. Swiftly, they ascended the stairs, eager to execute her orders, to kill their child,.....her grandchild.



The long, long stairway to the Concord Abortuary

SB-34 SIGNED INTO LAW BY GOV. JEANNE SHAHEEN PROTECTIONS FOR THE MOMS & BABIES STANDING SINCE 1848 WIPED OFF THE BOOKS

Gov. Jeanne Shaheen signed SB-34 repealing three 1848 pro-life laws. These laws were on the NH books since 1848, but the Roe decision rendered them unenforceable in practicality. Pro-abortion Sen. Rick Russman, R-Kingston, was the prime sponsor.

The NH Senate passed SB-34 by a vote of 15 to 9. This in spite of a huge turnout by the pro-life community at a March 4 Senate hearing. Some 125+ pro-lifers attended the hearing chaired by Sen. Dave Wheeler, R-Milford. Over 125 registered against the bill and 57 pro-lifers testified! Some 35 registered against the bill. Pro-life Senators Dave Wheeler and Gary Francoeur were the only members of the committee to stay late and hear all the testimony.

SB-34 was passed in the NH House on May 7 by a vote of 206 to 144 (44 did not vote). Rep. Kathleen Flora of Bedford led registration of a protest to the House action signed by 40 Representatives. Call 271-3315 to get the list of how House members voted. Many thanks to all pro-lifers.

SENATE VOTE ON SB-34

- FOR**
- Fredrick King-R1**
 - Ned Gordon-R2**
 - Leo Fraser-R4**
 - Jim Rubens-R5**
 - Caroline McCarley-D6**
 - Amy Patenaude-R7**
 - Allen Whipple-D8**
 - Clesson Blaisdell-D10**
 - James Squires-R12**
 - Debora Pignatelli-D13**
 - Sylvia Larsen-D15**
 - Richard Russman-R19**
 - Katie Wheeler-D21**
 - Bev Hollingworth-D23**
 - Burt Cohen-D24**

- AGAINST**
- David Wheeler-R11**
 - Carl Johnson-R3**
 - Gary Francoeur-R14**
 - Sheila Roberge-R9**
 - Eleanor Podles-R16**
 - John Barnes-R17**
 - John King-D18**
 - Richard Danais-R20**
 - Joseph Delahunty-R22**

Seven Republicans voted for SB-34 despite the pro-life plank in both the state and national GOP plank. One Democrat, Sen. John King of Manchester, voted pro-life.

Pro-life Turn-out at the SB-34 Hearing Was Terrific!





President's Column

Citizens for Life

Philip Morrison

Many of you may have received phone calls and letters on behalf of a group called Citizens for Life, Inc. Their letterhead announces that they are the New Hampshire Affiliate of National Right to Life Committee, Inc. This has caused quite some confusion among our members. Allow me to try to clear up some of the confusion.

First of all, this group is, in fact, the New Hampshire Affiliate of National Right to Life Committee. I don't want to go into all the circumstances surrounding New Hampshire Right to Life's replacement as the affiliate of NRLC. (See related article below) I don't want to cast aspersions on the actions of the staff of NRLC or the motives of those who formed this group in order to challenge our seating as the affiliate. Instead, let me take a moment to explain how New Hampshire Right to Life, and our vision, is unique.

New Hampshire Right to Life is a "no exceptions" organization. We seek protection for every innocent human life, regardless of the circumstances of conception. We believe that there are certain principles which cannot be compromised. The right to life is not just another issue. On the contrary; without the right to life, all other rights would be meaningless. The battle you and I fight is of vital importance because lives hang in the balance. We believe that each and every preborn baby, from the moment of fertilization, is a person created in the image and likeness of God worthy of total protection. We refuse to make common exceptions to the right to life such as rape, incest, fetal deformity, and life of the mother.

We believe in equal care for both mother and child and will stand for every innocent human life. Without exception. Without compromise.

Once pro-life organizations make exceptions to the right to life, the very foundation our movement was built upon is cracked. Pro-lifers work on a daily basis to win the hearts and minds of the American people. We say that abortion kills a defenseless baby and victimizes her mother. Yet when we - either explicitly or implicitly - put our stamp of approval on even one abortion, our message is undermined. If preborn babies are persons, there can be no exceptions, plain and simple. Either preborn babies are worthy of total protection under the law - like those of us already born - or they are not really persons.

This principled message is nothing new. As a matter of fact, it is the original pro-life message. Others may have fallen away from this principle, but we never will. We seek and pray for unity within the pro-life movement, but that unity cannot come with compromise on the lives of defenseless preborn babies.

At New Hampshire Right to Life, we stand proudly for all preborn babies, without exception. We are more than willing to work with any other pro-life groups, even those who do not believe in the total protection principle, whenever possible. However, we simply cannot compromise on this fundamental principle.

I hope that this has cleared up some of the confusion regarding the difference between New Hampshire Right to Life and the new Citizens for Life, Inc. I look forward to working with them toward the goal of restoring legal protection to preborn babies here in NH and nationwide.

National Right to Life Affiliation

Philip Morrison, NHRTL President

It has now been about a year since National Right to Life ousted New Hampshire Right to Life as the state affiliate. Even now, rumors are circulating concerning the allegations made by National as justification for this move. Allow me to address these rumors and to discuss what this means for NH RTL.

The first allegation leveled against NH RTL was that we do not abide by National's policy of condemning the use of violence. Let me assure you that NH RTL most certainly condemns the use of violence to further the pro-life cause. The purpose of NH RTL, as stated in our By-laws, is to "foster respect for human life from the moment of conception to natural death and to promote the right to life as the paramount social issue through educational, legislative, political, and other forms of **lawful** activity [emphasis added]." Our By-Laws also clearly state that we adhere to the Life Principles (see back page), which emphasize respect for life "... throughout the natural continuum..." of life. Therefore, the accusation that we condone violence is irresponsible and completely unfounded.

The other major allegation leveled against NH RTL by National was that we would not support our own pro-life senator Bob Smith in his bid for reelection. I won't try to claim that we have not had disagreements with Sen. Smith in the past. For example, we took exception to his support for the incumbent in the Second Congressional district, pro-abortion congressman Charlie Bass, over the very pro-life Mike Hammond in the primary election. Then-president Barbara Hagan wrote a private letter to Sen. Smith taking him to task for this position. Somehow, this letter found its way to the press, who then suggested that Barbara would prefer to see Sen. Smith replaced. This is patently absurd! We recognize that Sen. Smith has been one of the stalwart pro-lifers in the Senate and commend him for his work on behalf of the babies. I met with Sen. Smith and assured him that we would most certainly support him in his bid for reelection (within the constraints of all election laws, of course). Many of

our people even took active roles in his campaign. We recognized that we could not afford to lose such a strong pro-life voice in Washington.

So, what does all this mean for NH Right to Life? First of all, we are still investigating avenues to overturn the decision to disenfranchise NH RTL. We believe that the procedures used by National actually violated their own rules concerning challenging the state affiliate. Therefore, the whole procedure was invalid. We also maintain that the instigators of this move used disinformation, some of which I have outlined above, to deceive the Directors (the representatives from each state affiliate) into voting us out. We will be working to correct this disinformation should we have the opportunity to present our case before the credentials committee (which we were not allowed to do).

And if we don't regain our affiliation with National Right to Life? I guess we'll just go on doing what we have been doing. And that is standing up for the unborn here in the State of New Hampshire. You see, NH Right to Life has never been an extension of National Right to Life (much to National's consternation). Rather, we have always viewed NH Right to Life as an extension of you, the dedicated pro-lifers of New Hampshire. NH Right to Life is truly a "grass-roots" organization, one whose influence is achieved, not through the anointing of a national organization, but through the hard work and dedication of the people of this great state who believe in the sanctity of human life. As I said in my first column as president, our goal is to educate people to the humanity of the unborn and the atrocity that is abortion. We will continue to do so, regardless of our affiliation with a national organization, through your support and hard work.

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NHRTL Press Release: 6/26/97

Supreme Court Ruling on Assisted Suicide Cause for Celebration



Today's Supreme Court ruling upholding the constitutionality of bans on assisted suicide is cause for celebration, according to local pro-life leaders. "The Court's decision shows what most Americans have known all along, the Constitution does not contain a right to commit suicide or to allow others to assist in one," NHRTL President Philip Morrison said.

Morrison made his comments as the Supreme Court handed down a unanimous decision in two cases, *Washington v. Glucksberg* (State of Washington) and *Vacco v. Quill* (State of New York), which challenged the constitutionality of bans on doctor-assisted suicide.

Chief Justice Rehnquist wrote "...in almost every Western democracy it is a crime to assist a suicide. The States' assisted-suicide bans are not innovations. Rather, they are longstanding expressions of the States' commitment to the protection and

preservation of all human life... '[T]he states, indeed, all civilized nations, demonstrate their commitment to life...'"

"The idea that there are lives unworthy of being lived does not hold water in any compassionate society," Morrison said. "Those who argue that doctors have a responsibility to help kill terminally ill, elderly and disabled patients ignore the centuries-old wisdom of the Hippocratic Oath, of which the first principle is above all, do no harm."

"Interestingly," Morrison added, "the Court correctly noted that an analysis of American legal practice and tradition does not support the notion of a right to commit suicide. But it should also be clear to any fair-minded observer that the logic used in today's ruling applies to the debate over abortion as well. In *Roe v. Wade*, the Court trampled on American legal practice and tradition when it declared that it was legal to kill innocent human beings. Yet today, Chief Justice Rehnquist wrote of "...commitment to the protection and preservation of all human life...." I look forward to the day when the Court's self-contradiction in these matters is finally resolved and our society shows a commitment to the protection and preservation of preborn babies."

UPCOMING LEGISLATION!

It is critical that pro-lifers work in legislative efforts because, at bottom, we seek restoration of legal protection for the babies. Don't let the process intimidate you -- within just a few weeks you can get a sense of the process, and in a few months you can be effective as a "counselor" to your representatives and senators.

The NH legislature is now building the list of bills that will be worked in '97-'98. Until the bills are correctly formatted and checked by lawyers, they are called LSRs -- for Legislative Service Requests. An LSR is a bill in everyday language. Fortunately, the LSRs list available from the NH State House (271-3315) gives us a "heads-up" on legislation coming down the pike. Eventually, most all

LSRs become real bills with House or Senate bill numbers. For now, they just have LSR numbers. When they become bills you can get a copy of the full text for free by calling 271-3315.

Other life-related bills beyond these below are in the works, but not yet ready. For now, here's some LSRs we are watching and hope you'll help monitor and work on too:

2003: requiring parental notification (not consent) before abortions may be performed on minors

2105: prohibiting the cloning of human beings in NH

2245: creating the Woman's Right to Know Law (see article on pg. 7)

2355: adopting a state R.I.C.O. act
A R.I.C.O. act could be used against peaceful pro-life demonstrators and sidewalk counsellors.

PBA and Some Other Abortion Methods

The country is well aware of the horrors of the partial birth abortion thanks to Sen. Bob Smith, R-NH, many churches, National Right to Life, and others. President Clinton has vetoed the PBA ban for a second time. The US House vote is veto-proof, but the US Senate appears less than 5 votes short of being able to override the veto and outlaw this procedure.

With all the attention on PBA, we think it appropriate to note that the vast, vast majority of abortions are done through other, equally horrible means. Some 1.3+ million lives are snuffed out by these procedures every year -- just in America, let alone the rest of the world.

We acknowledge the pain this may cause women who have endured abortions, but it is necessary to define exactly what pro-lifers are opposing. Ohio Right to Life provides a useful summary of some of these procedures, but we caution you that it is explicit in spots:

Menstrual Extraction: A very early suction abortion, often done before the pregnancy test is positive.

Dilation and Curettage (D & C): The cervix is dilated with a series of instruments to allow the insertion of a curette (a looped shaped steel knife). The unborn child is then cut into pieces and scraped from the uterine wall. Bleeding is usually profuse. The nurse's job is to reassemble the body parts to be sure that all are removed, otherwise infection will set in.

Suction Curettage (Vacuum Aspiration): The cervix is dilated as in a D&C, then a tube with a knife-like edge on the tip is inserted into the uterus and connected to a strong suction apparatus. The suction device, similar to a conventional vacuum cleaner but 29 times as powerful, tears the baby apart and sucks the pieces into a jar.

Dilation and Evacuation (D&E): At 12 to 20 weeks. (By week 12, the baby's bones are hardening and can no longer be sucked apart. Abortion is now achieved by dismemberment.) A seaweed-based substance ("laminaria") is inserted into the cervix

causing dilation. The next day forceps with sharp metal teeth are inserted and parts of the baby's body are torn away with a twisting motion and removed piece by piece. At this age the head is usually too large to be removed whole, and must be crushed and drained before taken out. D&E's are preferred by abortion advocates because, unlike other second trimester methods, they insure the baby's death. The nurse then reassembles the body parts to be sure that all was removed.

Salt Poisoning (Saline Injection): Used after 16 weeks (four months) when enough fluid has accumulated. A long needle injects a strong salt solution through the mother's abdomen into the baby's sac. The baby swallows this fluid and is poisoned by it. It also acts as a corrosive, burning off the outer layer of skin. It normally takes somewhat over an hour for the baby to die from this. Within 24 hours, labor will usually set in and the mother will give birth to a dead or dying baby. (Quite frequently these babies are born alive. They are usually left unattended to die. However, a few have survived and later been adopted.)

Hysterotomy, or Caesarean Section: Used mainly in the last three months of pregnancy, the womb is entered by surgery through the wall of the abdomen. The technique is similar to a Caesarean delivery, except that the umbilical cord is usually cut while the baby is still in the womb, thus cutting off his oxygen supply and causing him to suffocate. Sometimes the baby is removed alive and simply left in a corner to die of neglect or exposure.

Prostaglandin Chemical Abortion: This form of abortion uses chemicals developed by the Upjohn Pharmaceutical Co. which cause the uterus to contract intensely, pushing out the developing baby. The contractions are more violent than normal, natural contractions, so the unborn baby is frequently killed by them -- some have even been decapitated. Many, however, have also been born alive.

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"Whoever welcomes one such child for my sake welcomes me... See that you never despise one of these little ones... It is no part of my Father's plan that a single one of these little ones shall ever come to grief."

- Matthew 18:5, 10, 14 -





New Pro-Life Legislation Introduced

For several years now, we have heard President Clinton and other pro-abortion advocates, such as our own Governor Shaheen, proclaim that their goal was to make abortion "safe, legal, and rare." However, after almost 25 years of abortion-on-demand, they have managed to achieve only one of these goals; it is legal. With nearly 1 out of every 3 pregnancies ending in abortion, for a total of about 1.5 million abortions per year, one can hardly claim that it is rare. The evidence also clearly shows that it is far from safe. A new bill recently introduced in the New Hampshire House of Representatives is designed to help make abortions rare by bringing that evidence to the people who need to hear it the most.

The Woman's Right to Know Act, sponsored by Rep. Mary Brown (R-Pittsfield) at the request of NH RTL, is designed to make sure women are fully informed about the risks associated with an abortion. If women are truly informed of all the facts about fetal development, the risks and the alternatives available to them, we believe most of them will decide against an abortion.

And just how dangerous is an abortion? If you haven't read the book *Time 5* by Mark Crutcher, I suggest

you get a copy. This book documents how atrocious the abortion industry really is. It does so by sharing actual cases of women killed or injured at the hands of an abortionist. The injuries include perforated uteruses, damaged cervixes, hysterectomies, infections, sterilizations, etc. Most of these stories are not properly reported by the media and, therefore, most people are completely unaware of the extent of the malpractice and wanton disregard for women within the abortion industry.

This bill would also require that women be informed of the link between abortion and breast cancer. Although this is a highly contentious issue, with several studies offering conflicting conclusions, the abortionist would still be required to provide all the information currently available, both positive and negative, to any woman considering abortion. This information would include the suspected factors that increase a woman's risk of breast

cancer following an abortion.

In addition to the physical risks of death and injury listed above, this bill would also require that women be informed of the possible psychological injuries they may experience. Many women experience Post-Abortion Syndrome, sometimes years after the actual abortion. This can be a serious and even deadly after-effect of an abortion. The bill requires that women be screened for the factors that may predispose them to future psychological after-effects.

We need your help to get this bill passed. Please call your representative and senator and urge them to support this bill. Unfortunately, this bill will not actually outlaw any abortions, as most of us would love to see. However, it is our hope that by informing women of all the facts, risks, and alternatives, they will come to see that abortion is not their only "choice," and babies may be saved as a result.

Supreme Court Upholds Pro-Lifer's Free Speech Rights

Last February, the U.S. Supreme Court issued its decision in *Schenck v. Pro-Choice Network*, a case which involved injunctions against protesters in Buffalo and Rochester, NY.

While it upheld fixed 15-foot "buffer zones" around abortion mills, the court struck down 15-foot "floating" buffer zones around abortion clients and workers.

The court ruled that, under the First Amendment, a demonstrator's freedom of speech cannot be restricted merely because the listener disagrees with the message.

This ruling reaffirms the right of sidewalk counselors and picketers to offer the truth and alternatives to those going into abortion mills.

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for the most part, have been willing accomplices of the abortion industry in trying to silence the pro-life message. With the pro-life message silenced, the pro-aborts would be free to disseminate their lies and propaganda. However, by demonstrating so visibly out on the streets, we can bypass the media and take our message directly to the public, the people who need to hear it.

One lie disseminated by the media is that the pro-life side is in the minority. I believe that a lot of people who are pro-life have even bought into this lie. Those who accept this propaganda probably feel a little intimidated and isolated. Many of them feel uncomfortable "rocking the boat" and, therefore, may refrain from taking an active role in the pro-life movement. However, by joining together and marching, we are saying to these people, "You are not alone!" We need to let them know that there are a lot of people out there who believe as they do and, in so doing, we help to validate their beliefs. Hopefully, this will embolden those pro-lifers to become more active.

In addition, by marching here in New Hampshire, we also bring the issue of abortion home. I remember one day a couple of years ago when I was walking a picket in front of the abortion mill on Main Street in

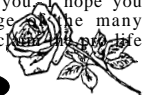
Concord. A man came up to me and asked what I was doing there. When I told him, he looked at me incredulously and said, "You mean they do that here?" A lot of people don't really understand that this is not just some national issue that only concerns people in Washington or the major cities. Believe it or not, the killing is taking place right here in "conservative" New Hampshire. It takes place weekly right on Main Street in our capital city. That is one of the messages we seek to deliver through the witness of our marching.

Finally, our very presence out on the streets will, hopefully, prick the conscience of those who see us. Our presence forces them to confront the reality of abortion. Many of them would never give it a moment's thought otherwise. However, the more they see people protesting abortion, the more they may begin to ask themselves why we feel so strongly about it. They may begin to ask what it is about abortion that drives us to stand out there in all kinds of weather and willingly subject ourselves to ridicule. Maybe they will even begin to wonder if abortion really is as simple a matter as they think it is. They may even begin to question the validity of all they have been told about it by the media and the pro-aborts. And in searching for the answer to these questions, maybe some of them will

be persuaded and spurred to action.

These are just a few reasons why I continue to march. However, the public witness we achieve through marching shouldn't be limited to once a year. Besides the annual March for Life, there are other opportunities I hope you will take advantage of. For example, there are people who stand out in front of abortion mills across our state regularly, bearing testimony to the killing that is going on inside and seeking to provide information to the women entering the facility. I know they would appreciate the company and encouragement you could provide. Then there are the Life Chains organized by the NH Pro-Life Council. These involve standing on a street for just a few hours, forming a chain with a hundred or more others, holding signs saying such things as "Abortion Kills Children." These Life Chains occur year round. The Pro-Life Council is always looking for people to participate in, or even sponsor, Life Chains. We also sponsor booths at fairs, craft fairs, and flea markets. These provide excellent opportunities to distribute literature and talk to people one-on-one about the right to life.

No matter which avenue you feel would be right for you, I hope you will take advantage of the many opportunities to provide a pro-life message.





JUNK CAR PROGRAM

Turn that old heap into a gift to NHRTL! Why clutter your yard any longer when it could become a donation for NHRTL?

Anybody with an old or "junk" car who want to dispose of it (no matter what the age or condition) need only telephone NHRTL at 626-7950 or send e-mail to nhrtl@ultranet.com. We'll have a towtruck remove that eyesore and the scrap value can help save babies! Thanks very much!





BIRTH CONTROL TRUTH From Pg. 3

a grave sin in his 1930 encyclical on *Christian Marriage (Casti Connubii)*, which he wrote in response to the first break in Christian unity on procreative issues which occurred the same year by the Anglican Church. Ten years earlier, the Anglican's Lambeth Conference issued a resolution stating, "We utter an emphatic warning against the use of unnatural means for the avoidance of conception." In 1930, however, the Anglican leaders gave in to external pressures and revised their position: "[W]here there is a morally sound reason for avoiding complete abstinence, the Conference agrees that other methods may be used, provided that this is done in the light of the same Christian principles. The Conference records its strong condemnation of the use of any method of conception-control from motives of selfishness, luxury, or mere convenience." Yet that is exactly what it became, a justification for further luxury and convenience. Once the kindom of unity on procreative issues divided, other churches soon followed suite. Eventually some of these churches even justified abortion!

In 1968, Pope Paul VI reaffirmed the Church's constant teaching in his encyclical *Humanae Vitae*, writing: "[Married couples] are not free to proceed completely at will . . . but they must conform their activity to the creative intention of God . . . [T]he Church, calling men back to the observance of the norms of the natural law, as interpreted by its constant doctrine, teaches that each and every marriage act [quiltbet matrimoni usus] must remain open to the transmission of life. . . . To use this divine gift [of marriage] destroying, even if only partially [through artificial birth control], its meaning and its purpose is to contradict the nature both of man and of woman . . . [and] to contradict also the plan of God and His will." (ns. 10, 11, 13)

Pope John Paul II expanded this teaching to address abortifacient birth control in his encyclical, *The Gospel of Life*, in which he observed: "The close connection which exists, in mentality, between the practice of contraception and that of abortion is becoming increasingly obvious. It is being demonstrated in an alarming way by the development of chemical products,

intrauterine devices and vaccines which, distributed with the same ease as contraceptives, really act as abortifacients in the very early stages of the development of the life of the new human being. . . ." (n 13.) "*Nothing and no one can in any way permit the killing of an innocent human being, whether a fetus or an embryo, an infant or an adult . . . nor can he or she consent to it, either explicitly or implicitly.*" (n. 57.) "*[T]he result of human procreation, from the first moment of its existence, must be guaranteed that unconditional respect which is morally due to the human being in his or her totality. . . . from the moment of conception . . .*" (n 60.)

g) What If I Never Knew I Was Risking Abortion?

But what does that mean for the millions of uninformed couples who have been using such methods? Jesus taught the disciples that how much a person knew something was wrong dictates how much He will hold the person accountable for their actions. "*If I had not come and spoken to them, they would have no sin; but as it is they have no excuse for their sin.*" Jn 15:24. He promised to treat differently those who did not fully know His will, and those who did know it but refused to do it. Lk 12:48. Having now been informed of the grave immorality of contraception and its risks to human life, each of us has no excuse to use or continue using any method of artificial birth control.

h) Natural Family Planning Is The Beginning To The End Of Abortion :

Only when abortion is removed from within our own bedrooms through the end of contraception will we be effective in stopping the holocaust of all God's innocent children. God has always required of His people that they clean up

their own back yard first before He makes them fruitful and blesses them in all they are asked to do for Him in the world.

"[I]f you continue to heed the voice of the Lord, your God, and are careful to observe all his commandments . . . all these blessings will come upon you and overwhelm you." Dt 28:1-2. "Above all . . . observe the entire law . . . then you will successfully attain your goal." Jos 1:5-9. Carefulness toward all life is the road to end abortion in all of its disguises.

The only method of birth regulation approved by the Church is Natural Family Planning. (See *The Catechism of The Catholic Church*, n. 2368). When used properly, NFP is as effective as the artificial birth control methods already mentioned, ranging from 99.1 to 99.9 percent effective in preventing pregnancy, with a variable success rate between 94.8 to 97.4 percent when human error is considered. These ratings are equal to or better than the pill, IUD, condoms, or the diaphragm. In addition, NFP results in greater marital intimacy and a very low divorce rate. For more information, contact your local hospital or Couple to Couple League. In Manchester, NH contact: Nancy Malo, CNFPS, at (603) 668-8706.

CONCLUSION: Being Pro-Life Means Being Consistent!

Either we condone both abortifacient birth control and abortion, or we choose to reject both forms of abortion. But we cannot remain practicing one method of abortion in our homes while opposing those procured from abortion clinics. It is time those God has trusted to preserve the sanctity of life pick up the Cross together, insist on consistency, and decide to be "unconditionally pro-life." "Pro-life" means "pro-creation" and "pro-conception", not contra-conception and abortion.

ANNUAL MEETING REMINDER

Have you made your reservations?

The NHRTL ANNUAL MEETING will convene at the Lantern Restraunt, 165 Candia Road, Manchester, at 7:30PM on November 14, 1997.

If you have contributed to the New Hampshire Right to Life organization this past year, you are considered a member and therefore eligible to attend as a voting member. Of course, anybody can attend the buffet dinner, priced at \$13.50 per person. See the article on Page 1 for details and then call us at (603) 626-7950 or write to nhrtl@ultranet.com

THANKS! Many, many NHRTL supporters continue to make real pro-life activism possible by their donations arriving every month from LIFELINE, the telephone service. Thanks so much for helping us defend the babies! (See page 10 for LIFELINE info.)

LIFE-FAX and LIFE-Mail

NHRTL offers automatic updates of important announcements and news as a free service to our members. We can send these to you by FAX or by E-mail.

If you want to get hooked into this network for life, leave your name, address, and fax number at our office (603) 626-7950 or send e-mail to nhrtl@ultranet.com

*NOTICE

If you or anyone you know has used or is using any of the abortive methods mentioned in this article and would not have done so had you been adequately informed of the abortive consequences, please contact Brian D. Fusonie, Esq. at P.O. Box 149, Manchester, NH 03105-0149, or (603) 625-6152 or E-Mail me at ruah@user.xtd1.com. We are gathering names of individuals who have been deceived and who wish to offer their testimonies to help lobby the state and national legislators to require adequate warning labels, and to file prospective law suits against drug companies, pharmacists, doctors, and other agents who have a duty to properly disclose these effects to prospective users. Everyone so harmed is encouraged to offer their testimonies to help bring about necessary reforms and to advance the protection of unborn lives.

NOTICE

NHRTL HAS NOT RESORTED TO ANY TELEMARKETING AS A FUNDRAISING MECHANISM

Other organizations have been using out-of-state telemarketers to call you and request money but we have received some of their complaints.





Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Since 1993, October of each year has been designated as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Most of the festivities and programs associated with this month focus early detection and supporting research for a cure. However, one of the few risk factors over which a woman has any control is once again being quietly swept under the rug.

In 1996, Dr. Joel Brind, an epidemiologist at Baruch College in New York, published a meta-analysis indicating a link between abortion and breast cancer. A meta-analysis is an analysis of the combined data from several other studies.

In his study, Dr. Brind reviewed the data from 23 previous studies. He found that 18 of the 23 studies published (with subsequently released studies the current tally now stands at approximately 24 of 29) reported a positive association (i.e. increased risk). The conclusion of his report states, "The results support the inclusion of induced abortion among significant independent risk factors for breast cancer . . . Although the increase in risk was relatively low, the high incidence of both breast cancer and induced abortion suggest a substantial impact of thousands of excess cases per year currently, and a potentially much greater impact in the next century, as the first cohort

of women exposed to legal induced abortion continues to age."

Pro-abortion organizations immediately sought to discredit Dr. Brind's study. And if they couldn't discredit the study, they sought to discredit him, accusing him of anti-abortion bias and merely trying to frighten women. Most of the media just chose to ignore Dr. Brind's study or gave greater prominence to those discrediting it.

Earlier this summer, another study was released (this one was from Denmark) that claimed to find no correlation between abortion and breast cancer. In spite of glaring errors in methodology, the researchers and the media declared that this study finally settled the debate. It is interesting to note, however, that Dr. Brind's findings, which were based on 23 studies, 18 of which found a correlation themselves, was declared to be insufficient proof that a link exists while one study is sufficient to prove that one does not!

And so the practice of keeping women in the dark about the possible consequences of abortion continues. Why are those who claim to care so much for a woman's "right to choose" so intent on keeping vital information from them which might help them make a more informed choice? Inquiring minds want to know!

NHRTL Wish List

NHRTL, operating as a non-profit, invites our supporters to donate:

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- laser printer
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- pamphlet display racks
- filing cabinets

Call us at (603) 626-7950 and we'll arrange for pick-up. Thanks very much!

READY TO VOLUNTEER?

Often we have small jobs that we would sure like to delegate to some volunteers. Things like photocopying and envelope stuffing and making phone calls to get messages out and such. We at NHRTL are *all* volunteers so if you would like to help with periodic small tasks, please call on us at (603) 626-7950. Thanks very much!

Need a Speaker?

If you would like a speaker, video, or literature table for your church, school, or other organization, please call the office at (603) 626-7950. We have speakers available who can talk on a variety of the life issues. We can provide pro-life materials for distribution -- a service made possible by those who generously donate to us.

SAVE CMC UPDATE

We are now including St. Joseph Hospital in Nashua in our efforts. This pro-life hospital has also been sucked up by Optima Health. Once again, there are no written protections to stop abortions.

Manchester will vote in November on a non-binding referendum to Save CMC. We are hoping all will vote.

We must focus on the Diocese of Manchester. Please — if you have not already done so — write to Bishop Leo E. O'Neil and urge him to take back our only two pro-life hospitals in the State. Tell him that the Diocese has a moral obligation to protect the community from the dragon of managed health care who cares nothing for the sanctity of human life.

For more information about the Save CMC effort, contact Andre Martel at (603)622-8411.

NHRTL ON THE WEB!

We now post NHRTL information on the world wide web at:

<http://www.ultranet.com/~nhrtl>

We can provide fast breaking news, announcements, legislature votes, links, and we can collect your feedback from the page or by e-mail to:

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Stop by for a visit!

OPTIMA PRIDE, OR THAT THING THEY (almost) DID

J.L. Moreau

(News and Commentary)

"You shall not stand idly by while your neighbor's life is in jeopardy."
—Leviticus 19:16

On Nov. 8, 1996, a dilatation and evacuation abortion was scheduled to take place at the Elliot Hospital Surgical Day Care Center (Operating Room) by Jerome T. Schachter, M.D., associated with the Lahey-Hitchcock Clinic. However, New Hampshire Right to Life got wind of this. Fourteen people assembled on the sidewalk at the Tarrytown Road entrance to the hospital in silent vigil at the time the operation was to take place. At the same time details of the patient's history and the surgery schedule were leaked to the press by someone at Optima, though not by Right to Life..

The procedure was listed on the posted operating room schedule as a dilatation and evacuation. This involves dismemberment of the fetus. The body

then has to be reassembled to make sure that no fetal parts remain in the mother which could cause sepsis or other health problems. Although one physician not connected with Optima stated that often this procedure is done when the fetus is already dead, indications are that such was not the case in this instance.

It was reported that the patient, a 17-year-old minor, was to undergo the procedure without parental consent or notification in order to abort a 13-week old fetus with a brain abnormality as reported by ultrasound.

Optima spokesperson Laurie Storey-Manseau was upset. "We are outraged. This is an extraordinarily gross breach of confidentiality of a patient," she said, referring to the release of the OR schedule, although no names were on it, according to press reports. The abortion "didn't happen". She did not, however,

deny that the patient had been scheduled in the first place. An unconfirmed report is that the procedure was cancelled — perhaps had been by the time Ms. Storey-Manseau made her statement — and that the mother was receiving counseling.

The diocese of Manchester, which is responsible for Optima/CMC, could not be reached for comment at the time the story broke.

Optima Health has a virtual lock on major health care in the Greater Manchester area. If they want to perform abortions at Elliot, they can legally do so and spin doctor it to make it palatable to the residents of the Queen City who have no place else to go anyway. Instead they do not tell the truth or are at least disingenuous. And they cynically hide behind "patient confidentiality" to further their agenda. And since CMC is joined at the hip as part of Optima's one

big happy family, it not only shares in its successes, it shares in its shame, which is what Save CMC was afraid of all along.

Optima asked the State Supreme Court to throw out the case, but the Court decided against that. Scheduling of a hearing date is anticipated next.

"Optima" comes from the Latin word which means "the best". Its corporate culture celebrates the wonderful things it is doing or planning to do. If, however, Optima embraces the culture of death, New Hampshire Right to Life will be there to provide it with a reality check.

- J.L. MOREAU





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NO SURPRISES FROM REP. CHARLIE BASS

Rep. John Sununu is building a pro-life voting record

by Ed Holdgate, Co-Editor

Rep. Charlie Bass continued voting pro-abortion with **six** more votes. This Republican is summarily ignoring the National and New Hampshire GOP pro-life platform planks.

[1] On June 5, Bass voted against a pro-life amendment to a State Department authorization bill, H.R. 1757, that would restore the Reagan "Mexico City Policy". This policy prohibits taxpayer funding of overseas "population assistance" or "family planning" programs which perform or promote abortions. The pro-lifers won that amendment **232 to 189**.

[2] Bass also voted for a pro-abortion amendment on June 5 which would have rendered the Mexico City Policy meaningless. Pro-lifers again won by a narrow margin: **218 to 200**.

[3] On June 11, Bass voted pro-abortion yet again when a pro-abort House member used a procedural device to force a repeat vote of the pro-life amendment to H.R. 1757.

[4] Bass also voted

against a pro-life amendment to a Dept. of Defense bill. The amendment prohibited abortions at US military hospitals, even those in countries which allow abortions. Again pro-lifers narrowly won **224 to 196**, showing the importance of elections.

[5] Bass voted pro-abortion on a September 4 "Mexico City Policy" amendment to H.R.2159, but pro-lifers won **234 to 191**.

[6] Bass voted for an amendment to H.R.2264 (Roll Call #378) which effectively was a vote **against** requiring Title X federally funded clinics to notify parents before giving birth control devices to minors. Pro-life parents lost by a narrow **220 to 201**.

Rep. John Sununu wisely voted pro-life on all **six** of these amendments, thereby continuing to build himself a strong pro-life voting record. He is gradually gaining the confidence of New Hampshire's pro-life voters.

Call on **Rep. Charlie Bass** at **225-0249** or **cbass@hr.house.gov** and **Rep. John Sununu** at **641-9536** or **rep.sununu@mail.house.gov**

CHRISTMAS CARDS

NHRTL is once again offering beautiful Christmas Cards with a short message about the pro-life perspective on the back. It's a great way to spread the pro-life message! Each box contains 12 cards and envelopes, with four cards each of three different designs. Suggested donation is \$7.50 per box. Call NHRTL at 626-7950 to place your order early! Thanks!





Opposition to Abstinence Funding Reveals True Motives

Gov. Shaheen's decision to apply for a grant for federal money promoting abstinence has drawn fire from two of her previous supporters, Planned Parenthood and the New Hampshire Family Planning Council. "The fact that these two organizations are opposed to abstinence-based education proves they are not truly interested in reducing teen pregnancy," according to Philip Morrison, President of New Hampshire Right to Life. "All they are interested in is power and more money."

Margaret Landsman, a spokesman for Planned Parenthood, suggested that the State should not apply for the funds because abstinence-based programs because, "there is no scientific evidence that just saying 'no' to alcohol, drugs or sex is effective." However, Morrison pointed out, "there is plenty of evidence that Planned Parenthood's idea of sex education not only does not reduce teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), but has actually resulted in an increase. Planned Parenthood and other so-called sex education organizations have spent millions of dollars, much of it taxpayer money, claiming to be helping to solve the problem of teen pregnancy. However, all we have gotten for these expenditures is a spiralling rate of teen pregnancy. With this increase in the pregnancy rate comes an increase in abortions. And who is the nation's

leading abortion provider? Planned Parenthood."

"These organizations know that the contraceptive-based programs are a complete failure," said Morrison, "yet they continue to push for more taxpayer funding. Then, when their programs fail, they have the audacity to ask for more money, citing the rising teen pregnancy rate. This becomes a vicious cycle. An effective, abstinence-only educational program would help to break that cycle. That is why it is being so vehemently opposed by these pro-abortion groups."

"While New Hampshire Right to Life has not taken a position on this particular grant proposal at this time," according to Morrison, "we continue to maintain that abstinence is the only truly effective means of stemming the tide of teen pregnancies and abortions. To teach young people to avoid pregnancy and STDs using the contraceptive methods advocated by these organizations only sends a mixed message. How effective do you think a message will be that, on one hand, teaches young people that the only completely effective method of avoiding pregnancy and STDs is abstinence while, on the other hand, tells them 'but, since we know you're going to do it anyway....'"

WELD STOPPED

by Patrice J. Benard:

NHRTL urged all pro-life, pro-family activists to contact their Senators in Washington and ask them to stop the confirmation of former Massachusetts Gov. Bill Weld as ambassador to Mexico.

As you may recall, Weld threatened to walk out of the Republican Convention last year because of the pro-life plank in the platform. He has always been a strong advocate of "abortion rights". His pro-abortion attitude, coupled with his soft views on drugs, would have been an insult to the Catholic and Christian majority in Mexico.

Sen. Henry Hyde led the successful fight to stop Weld's confirmation.

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS WANTED! If you want something shared with the pro-life community (experiences, analysis, anecdotes, announcements, etc.) please send them to NHRTL NEWSLETTER, POBox 421, Merrimack, NH 03054, or send e-mail to nhrtl@ultranet.com. Opinions do not necessarily reflect those of NHRTL officers, trustees, or staff.

LETTER TO EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Our governor appeared at a fundraiser for NARAL, an organization devoted to unrestricted, taxpayer-financed abortion. It came as no surprise to me when a member referred to Shaheen as, "one of our own." Much of her financial support came from extremist left-wing groups such as NARAL, Planned Parenthood, and EMILY's List.

Outside of the event I stood with several protesters and voiced objections to Shaheen's appearance. Did we think we could prevent her from defending wholesale infanticide? Of course not, Shaheen has worked for NARAL in various capacities for many years. We were there to remind the governor that a large number of her constituents oppose her support of legal mass murder.

One woman stopped to confront us before going into the sparsely attended fund-raiser. "What have you personally done for the babies?" (Aha, she admitted that babies were being killed.) "What about babies whose mothers don't want them? What about women who die?" (It appeared to me that she was proposing the Kevorkianization of orphans.)

I would like to respond to that woman and others who wondered why we stood outside to voice our disapproval of that unholy event.

Many years ago I taught history to high school juniors. The story of World War II and Nazi atrocities would always cause pain and thoughtful silences among my eleventh graders. I would ask my students to close their eyes and think about the philosophy of a government that mandated the systematic slaughter of its citizens. We would then discuss how a government could become the enemy of its subjects. We talked about the symptoms of repression, and how to recognize the signs of an encroaching, immoral power grab by destructive, evil leaders.

Invariably, one student would ask in a subdued voice, "But where were the German people when this was happening? Why didn't they do something?"

Fifty years from now, when the issue of abortion is taught in school, I want the students to know that there were people who disagreed. I want them to know that our dissolute government responded with laws that limited our protest. I want them to know that we opposed Planned Parenthood and NARAL whose quest

for money and power has led to the slaughter of 37 million innocent children. I want them to understand that we opposed a governor whose intellectual and moral dishonesty inspired her to make a statement that she would "not be intimidated by people who would deny women their right to decide their future." No mention was made about the lack of future for millions of children brutally torn apart in the death mills.

Hitler once said, "Jews are undoubtedly a race, but not human." The governor's philosophical bedfellows at NARAL say that the unborn child is not human, only potentially human. A Nazi propaganda booklet stated: "The Jew is a parasite." NARAL has often calls the unborn child a parasite. According to the Communist party in Russia, Gulag slave laborers were "raw material." NARAL considers unborn babies the "products of conception." If the words of NARAL, Planned Parenthood, and Jeanne Shaheen sound Naziesque it is because they were developed and nurtured by minds that have embraced the "Culture of Death."

So to all who wonder why we stand outside the clinics of murder: We are there because "abortion providers" have made the gas chambers of Nazi Germany seem compassionate when compared to the butchery of innocent children. We are there to encourage women to keep their wombs a safe sanctuary for babies where unsuspecting, innocent children no longer face dismemberment. We are there to demand that our elected officials must respect all life — from the moment of conception to a natural death. We agree with Mother Therese who said: "Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what they want. This is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion."

When civilization again reclaims its rightful place in our society, Governor Shaheen and her ilk will not be spoken of kindly. They have dragged us down into a place that will be difficult to crawl from, but I have confidence that the good people in this country will soon recognize the destructive influences of evil deeds condoned by evil people. Bloody tyrants are eventually exposed.

Governor Jeanne Shaheen, have you no shame?

Romelle Winters
Fremont, NH



Mother Teresa

The passing of Mother Teresa was a sorrow for all profilers of every faith.

Mother Teresa visited many governments and espoused a consistent pro-life perspective. In particular, we want to remind you of two of her thoughtful comments:

"Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use violence to get what they want."

"How can there be too many children? That is like saying there are too many flowers."

Mother Teresa was a living sacrifice in service to others and, therefore, an loving example to all.



Summertime Fun

Ed Holdgate

New Hampshire Right to Life was defending the babies this summer by staffing booths at several of the county and local fairs around the state this summer.

These booths were an excellent opportunity to get the pro-life message out to the public and disseminate literature. One fair organizer reported that they had more than 20,000 people come through their fair entrance.

However, we could not have done this without YOU! You empowered us with your time, money, and efforts to bring the pro-life message directly to local people at the fairs.

Staffing a booth is always more fun than it might at first sound to you. You get to meet other interesting pro-life people and, possibly, even change a few hearts while you're at it.

Children continually bolt straight to our fetal models display, amazed by the magic of the preborn in the womb. They loved our free fuzzy pink dinosaur stickers which said, "Make Abortion Extinct".

Teenagers, too, are intrigued by the displays, the video of life in the womb, and we happily distributed pro-life literature to them.

Many, many folks stop by to offer their stories of pregnancies and how troublesome times turned out for the best. They thank us for standing in defense of the babies -- and we thank them for the sorely encouragement. Sometimes friends from years ago will happen by too. It's a great time.

Donations from our members, our LifeLine supporters, and donors to the NHRTL Educational Trust Fund allow us to give out hundreds and hundreds of pieces of free literature. Some folks donate and sign up right there at the booth, too.

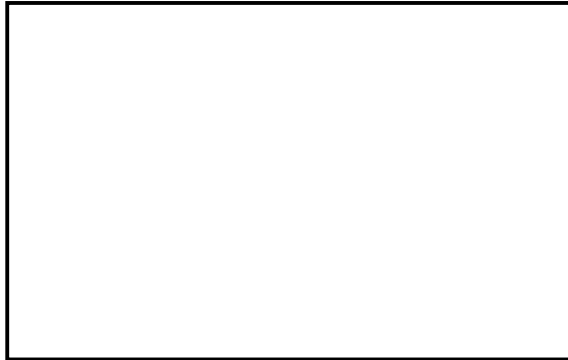
This summer, NHRTL volunteers staffed booths at the Hopkinton Fair, the Hillsborough Fair, the Sandwich Fair, a Seacoast event, and other fairs and events around the state. A heartfelt thank-you to all those who helped at the booths and with literature and donations.

If you want to help us gear up for all the fairs next summer then please send in a specially earmarked donation to the "NHRTL Educational Trust Fund" because those donations go directly to these kinds of activities and they are tax-deductible too!

Thanks very much!



LifeChains are a powerful witness for the babies



Many helpful volunteers staffed our booths



The Hopkinton Fair was very rewarding for us!

LIFE CHAINS!

The **NH ProLife Council** once again led the October 5 campaign to save babies with LifeChain public demonstrations. LifeChains were held in Milford, Manchester, and Hampton this year, and we've heard reports of another one held up north.

LifeChains unify all the various pro-life groups in the state and allow prayerful witness on behalf of the preborn. It's a nationwide effort held early in October every year. Sometimes, LifeChains are organized in other months, too.

If you participated in one this year we thank you for standing in defense of the babies in this way. If you haven't tried it yet, and want to learn more, contact Russell Pond of NH ProLife Council, POBox 4114, Manchester, NH 03108.

LEGISLATIVE LOSS

There was a move to ban the cruel Partial Birth Abortion in the NH House this year, spearheaded by newly elected Rep. Kevin Smith of Londonderry. This bill, HB-768, went before the House Judiciary Committee where many pro-lifers turned out to testify in favor of it.

The NH House finally voted on it on March 19, but they killed this pro-life bill by a vote of 217 to 137, with 43 not voting. You may call the NH Sargeant-at-Arms at 271-3315 to find out how your Rep(s) voted.

The NH Senate voted on a PBA ban attempt brought forward by pro-life Senator Dave Wheeler of Milford during the SB-34 fight (see story, pg. 4). Sen. Wheelers PBA ban amendment was defeated by a vote of 13 to 11. (This shows how crucial Senate elections are.) The vote was the same as SB-34 on pg. 4 except Sen. Rubens and Sen. Fred King voted in favor of the PBA ban.

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They Still Do Not See

Philip Morrison

The US Supreme Court declared that there is no constitutional right to assisted suicide. At issue were challenges to two state laws banning assisted suicide. A reading of one of these rulings presents us with an interesting look into how the Court thinks, or how close they can come to the truth and still not see it.

In its decision in Washington v. Glucksberg, the Court states that "we are confronted with a consistent and almost universal tradition that has long rejected the asserted right, and continues explicitly to reject it today, even for terminally ill, mentally competent adults. To hold for respondents, we would have to reverse centuries of legal doctrine and practice, and strike down the considered policy choice of almost every state..."

I find it interesting that most of these same justices, in the Court's Planned Parenthood v. Casey ruling just five years ago, reaffirmed the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision which did the very thing the Court refused to do in this case; namely to "reverse centuries of legal doctrine and practice, and strike down the considered policy choice of almost every state..." Is there any doubt, among logical thinking people, that the Court did just that when it declared that a right to an abortion exists in the Constitution?

TELEPHONE TREE

The telephone tree is a rapid message system by which members are notified of a concern, such as a piece of legislation or an activity of interest to pro-lifers. Many members, in turn, pass the information along to others.

Participation in the tree is purely voluntary and, if one chooses, he or she can even elect to be on the bottom of the tree and get notified but not have to make any calls at all. Other options available to those on the tree are the making of a few local calls or the making of a few toll calls with each message going through the tree; those who select one of these options are usually asked to make only three or four calls. Toll calls are made, in most cases, to those who live relatively close to the one making the call.

If you would like to become part of the NHRTL telephone tree, contact Bill Currier at 894-5723 or the NHRTL office at 626-7950.

Just When You Thought You Had Heard It All

Philip Morrison, NHRTL President

I've never understood how anyone could believe the arguments used by abortion proponents. To me, they are all so illogical. Well, there is now a new pro-abortion argument out there that puts almost all the others to shame. This new argument says that abortion can be justified as an act of self-defense.

That's right, self-defense! Now, you are probably saying to yourself, "That must be just some kook." However, this new argument comes from Eileen McDonagh, a professor of political science at Northeastern University. In her book, *Breaking the Abortion Deadlock: From Choice to Consent*, (Oxford University Press, 1996) Professor McDonagh writes that "the fetus massively intrudes on a woman's body and expropriates her liberty. If the woman does not consent to this transformation and use of her body, the fetus's imposition constitutes injuries sufficient to justify the use of deadly force to stop it. . . . This book expands the concept of wrongful pregnancy to include what the fertilized ovum does to a woman when it makes her pregnant without her consent. . . . To the extent that the law protects the fetus as human life, the law must hold the fetus accountable for what it does (as it violates its mother's privacy)."

Let's you think that Professor McDonagh is out there on the fringe of the pro-abortion side, her book has received endorsements from such pro-abortion advocates as Patricia Ireland of the National Organization for Women and Eleanor Smeal of the Feminist Majority Foundation. Sylvia Law, a New York University law professor, calls the book "the most original and provocative defense of the morality of abortion that has appeared in decades."

It is interesting to note that Professor McDonagh doesn't deny the humanity of the preborn child. Instead, she treats the child as a criminal invader of the mother's body who deserves to be killed in self defense. This argument is ludicrous for many reasons. I reason, which I would like to expound upon, is that abortion cannot meet the criteria for justifiable homicide.

In order to make a case for killing in self-defense, one must meet certain

criteria. The first of these is that a response to a threat must be commensurate with the severity of that threat. For example, our society places a higher value on life than property. Therefore, the use of deadly force is not justifiable to defend property but is permissible in the eyes of the law only when the threat will result in the loss of life or grievous bodily harm. This means that you cannot take someone's life if he is trying to make off with your TV or stereo and no threat is directed against you or another innocent individual.

So, let's apply this criteria in the case of pregnancy. Professor McDonagh states that "If the woman does not consent to this transformation and use of her body, the fetus's imposition constitutes injuries sufficient to justify the use of deadly force to stop it. . . . the law must hold the fetus accountable for what it does as it violates its mother's privacy." What injuries is the fetus imposing on the woman? According to Professor McDonagh, he/she violates the mother's privacy. Is the violation of someone's privacy sufficient grounds for the use of deadly force? Of course not! Although the Supreme Court has elevated the so-called "right to privacy" above most of those rights that are actually found in the constitution, it cannot be elevated above the right to life. In the hierarchy of rights, life must take preeminence over all other rights, including privacy.

Now some of you may be thinking, "Okay, but what about those cases where the pregnancy places the woman's life in danger? Does the self-defense argument hold up?" Again, the answer is no. This argument does not hold up here either because it does not meet the second criterion concerning the use of deadly force.

The second criterion that must be met in determining if deadly force was warranted is whether all other options did not, or would not, alleviate the threat. In other words, were there any other options available, short of deadly force, which would have prevented the loss of the victim's life? Remember, preservation of life, even that of an alleged "criminal," takes the utmost priority. It is important first to consider the imminence of the threat. If the threat is not imminent, then it is

assumed that measures could be taken to avoid it, such as leaving the scene or calling the police. Assuming you do not have advance notice of the threat, is it then possible to put distance, or a barrier, between you and your assailant? In other words, could you run away or hide? If this is not possible, then can you disarm or disable your assailant? Every effort must be made to do so without killing him, even to the point of causing bodily injury. Remember, bodily injury still takes precedence over loss of life. Finally, if all the previous steps fail, or it is obvious they would fail, only then is the use of deadly force justified.

So how does this criterion apply to pregnancy and the threat to the mother's life and health? First of all, let's take a look at the imminence of the threat. While there may be cases in which the pregnancy represents a danger to the woman, very rarely will that threat be imminent. Measures can be taken (i.e. medication, bed rest, etc.) to avoid that threat. The threat can usually be delayed until such time as the baby can be delivered either naturally or surgically. But suppose the threat is imminent, what then? The next step in the hierarchy is to disarm or disable the assailant. If the presence of the preborn child in the mother's body constitutes a threat, as stated by Professor McDonagh, then doesn't removing him/her from the mother's body (such as by cesarian section) constitute removing the threat? This, of course, must be done making every attempt to preserve the life of the child. Finally, aside from abortionists, virtually all doctors agree that killing the preborn child is never necessary to save the life of the mother. Therefore, if taking the life of the "assailant" will not actually eliminate the threat, then the use of deadly force is not a valid response to the threat.

In summary, this new pro-abortion argument suggests that abortion can be viewed as the use of deadly force against the preborn child "intrud[ing] on a woman's body and expropriat[ing] her liberty." However, this argument does not hold up when examined against the criteria used to evaluate the appropriateness of the use of deadly force. This is just another example of



forces using absurd logic in an attempt to justify a procedure that is

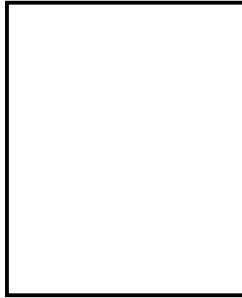


ABORTIONS WITH YOUR TAX DOLLARS

Martha Kleder wrote a report explaining how the United Nations gets around the pro-life restrictions placed on "family planning" money proved through the US Congress.

Essentially, when women come to the clinic, the staff just perform a "menstrual extraction" (See **PBA and Some Other Abortion Methods**, Page 6). Kleder reported that David Morrison of the Population Research Institute says, "The health clinics don't even do a pregnancy test. Instead, using this device, they do what's called a menstrual regulation, which is a way of providing an early abortion." Doctors haven't found the woman is pregnant, so "legally she's not being aborted."

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE CALLS ON SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER RANDY BENTHIEN TO RESIGN



Betty Breuder

Betty Breuder, NHRTL V-P and president of the Hillsborough County Chapter of Right to Life, is seeking the resignation of Randy Benthien from the Goffstown School Board. Mr. Benthien is a member of the board of directors of the New Hampshire Family Planning Council (NHFPC).

NHFPC is an umbrella organization for Planned Parenthood and seven other pro-abortion agencies that reap profits from the abortion business. Breuder sees a conflict of interest having a NHFPC member involved with school curriculum -- especially the health and sex education aspects. Sex education stimulates teen sexual activity, so NHFPC creates a need for its contraceptive counseling services and abortion services when the contraceptives fail. Conversely, NHFPC is vehemently against genuine abstinence programs because it would result in a loss of jobs, money, and power.

Breuder learned that at the Manchester Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Conference on June 13, a family planning representative disclosed how to drum up business.

The Hillsborough chapter led pro-life demonstrations at the Goffstown High School and Mountain View Middle School. Benthien has still refused to resign, but his school board term ends soon. It is expected he'll seek re-election, so concerned citizens are encouraged to get involved with the elections.

The combined School Cop includes the towns of Goffstown, Dunbarton, and New Boston. Citizens seeking to know more or get involved with the school board races should call Betty Breuder at 471-0230.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DR. BERNARD NATHANSON TO VISIT NEW HAMPSHIRE

Former abortionist and NARRAL founder Bernard Nathanson switched to the Christian pro-life ranks many years ago. On **November 19**, pro-life Dr. Nathanson will speak at St. Anselm's College on the west side of Manchester. 6:30PM, in the North Lounge of the Cushing Center. The lecture is free.

MARCH OF DIMES TO HONOR GOV. JEANNE SHAHEEN

The March of Dimes is going to honor pro-abortion Gov. Jeanne Shaheen with a "Citizen of the Year" award on **December 4**. The March of Dimes organization, while helpful in many respects, often promotes abortion as a "solution" to birth defects detected in the preborn. The NH Pro-Life Council wants to give out pro-life literature at the entrance to the event. If you want to help, call 882-7114 or 623-5801.

ABSTINENCE ORGANIZATION CALLED A.E.R.I. FORMED

A new organization devoted to abstinence education in NH public schools has formed. The Abstinence Education Resource Institute (AERI) wants to provide abstinence guides, resources, materials, and speakers to public schools. Reach them at 472-3818 in Bedford.

OPTIONS FOR WOMEN BANQUET

Options For Women- A Pregnancy Help Center will be having its annual Fall banquet and Fund raiser November 22 at Emmanuel Advent Christian Church in Rochester, NH. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Anthony Levatino, a former abortionist that God has radically transformed for His work. This is an event you will not want to miss. For more information or reservations please call Victoria at 749-4441. Reserve early; space is limited.

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NO EXCEPTIONS, NO COMPROMISE

Fr. J.K. O'Connor

The pro-life message that must be stressed is one that is simple, just, and reasonable: every human being exists from the moment of fertilization with a right to life endowed by our Creator, and there is no justification for anyone intentionally to kill one innocent human person. On this point there must not be any exception or compromise.

There are some members of society who would try to justify exceptions by citing examples of rape, incest, or fetal deformity. However, it should be clear

that each child in the womb has the right to see the light of day, regardless of the circumstances of his or her conception.

Others try to make exceptions for when the life of the mother is at stake. In such circumstances, a pregnant mother and her unborn child should have equal care and protection. A conscientious doctor will try to save both, and usually both can be saved. In fact, modern medical science has progressed to such an extent that the death of the mother at childbirth is a very rare occurrence. Moreover, it must be noted that any

treatment given to save a mother's life, which, as an indirect, unintended, or unavoidable consequence (or "double effect"), causes the baby to die, is not an abortion.

The pro-life issue is one in which we all must act as a unified body to educate the American people about the personhood of each human being. We are bound to encounter disappointments and heartbreaks in the process. However, all the disappointments and heartbreaks must not deter us from our goal to see to it that every child conceived in the womb is protected by a caring society.



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Life Principles

We hold these truths to be self-evident: That all human beings are created equal by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, among which is the right to life; and therefore:

The right to life of each human being shall be preserved and protected by every human being in the society and by society as a whole, and

The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected from the biological beginning throughout the natural continuum of that human being's life by all available ordinary means and reasonable efforts, and

The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected at each stage of the life continuum to the same extent as at each and every other stage regardless of state of health or condition of dependency, and

The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected to the same extent as the life of each and every human being regardless of health or condition of dependency, and

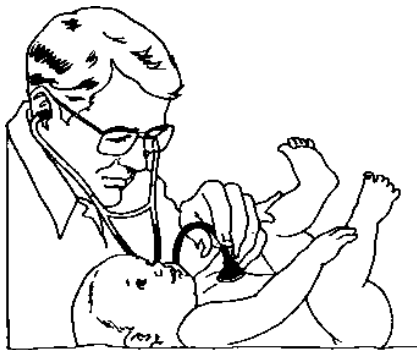
When there is any doubt that there exists a human being's life to preserve and protect, such doubt shall be resolved in favor of the existence of a human being, and

When two or more human beings are in a situation in which their lives are mutually endangered, all available ordinary means and reasonable efforts shall be used to preserve and protect the life of each and every human being so endangered.

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