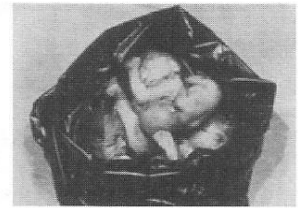




IT'S A CHILD, NOT A CHOICE

# RIGHT TO LIFE OF NORTHERN KENTUCKY



Garbage bag of 18-week unborn infants killed by hysterotomy abortion (Caesarean section)

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## MOTHER'S DAY - SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2024

*A Happy Mother's Day Greeting To All Mothers  
and Especially  
to those who are unprepared for the Miracle of Birth*



*She needs you now more than ever before  
Welcome her baby. Open the door.  
Lend her a sanctuary—safe from all harms  
Permit her baby to rest in her arms.  
Lis't to the songs she weaves  
'round a sweet head  
Taste the peace of the rituals  
of her prayers softly said  
Yes, she needs you now  
more than ever before.  
Welcome her baby.  
Open the door.*

**Northern Kentucky Right To Life**

*Poet-Artist: the late Judith Whaley,  
member of the Board of Directors of NKRTL*

### ~ Donations Made by NKRTL ~

As previously announced, NKRTL will donate 10% of its net proceeds from the 2023 Celebration for Life to four charities: **Rose Garden Mission, Madonna House, New Hope Center, and Care Net Pregnancy Services of Northern Kentucky.**

NKRTL is always honored to stand up for those who stand up for life, and did send to each of these pro-life organizations a check for \$560.00, in order to support and encourage their ministries.

### BOY LEFT AT KENTUCKY FIRE HOUSE SAFE HAVEN IS ADOPTED

It was May, 2022, when a newborn baby boy was swiftly taken to the local children's hospital, after having been left at a Louisville, Kentucky, fire station.



Area foster parents, **Chris and Brittany Tyler**, who have fostered 15 children and had two adopted sons, visited little **Samuel**, who weighed three pounds at birth, at the neonatal intensive care unit. "We really wanted to let [Samuel] know that somebody loved him even though they weren't going to be with him for his whole life," stated Chris. "That [his birth mother] loved him and wanted the best for him, and she trusted that he would go to a good place, and we're thankful to God that he came to us."

Two years later, the Tylers were fortunate to be able to adopt Samuel.



Under the **Kentucky Safe Infants Act**, a mother is able to place her infant in a safe haven, with no questions asked. In response to this statute, **Safe Haven Baby Boxes** have been placed throughout the state of Kentucky, which permit a mother to securely, anonymously, and safely place her infant. The Safe Haven Baby Boxes are equipped to maintain the correct temperature, and a silent alarm notifies authorities that a child has been placed in the box. (See article on pg. 3)

**Louisville Fire Department assistant chief Lt. Col. Bobby Cooper** said, "If a mom finds herself in a crisis and needs a haven for an infant, this is another resource that's available."

## JANUARY, 2024 NKRTL NEWSPAPER ADS

May God bless all the pro-lifers who proudly submitted their names for our NKRTL pro-life newspaper ads so that the pro-life message can be proclaimed in the marketplace of ideas.

For almost 50 years, NKRTL has published newspaper ads, along with names of local pro-lifers, in order to expose the "misinformation" espoused by the pro-abortion news media, by clearly and boldly expressing these pro-lifers' love for unborn children and their mothers.

The generous support from pro-lifers throughout the Greater Cincinnati area enabled NKRTL to purchase three ads in *The Enquirer*, in both the Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky editions, on Wednesday, January 17; Friday, January 19; and Sunday, January 21. These full-page ads can be viewed on NKRTL's website ([www.nkrtl.org](http://www.nkrtl.org)). Although the names in each ad are the same, each of the three ads published a different pro-life message. The following are the three messages:

### **\*\* January 17, 2024, Ad\*\***

#### ***FORBIDDEN GRIEF – THE UNSPOKEN PAIN OF ABORTION***

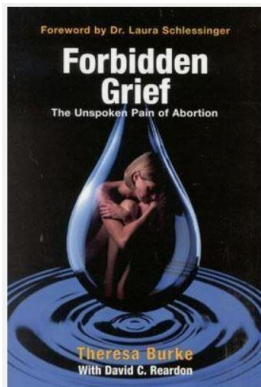


"When I was in graduate school, I was assigned to lead a support group for women with eating disorders. The subject of abortion came up because Debbie was sharing with our group about flashbacks and nightmares that she was having due to her abortion procedure. She said these images were horrible," relates **Theresa Burke, Ph.D.**,

a **psychotherapist and founder of Rachel's Vineyard Ministries**, and who was the guest speaker at a previous NKRTL Celebration for Life.

"There are people out there like Debbie in tremendous agony and pain because they've suffered the loss of their child or children through abortion, and they need to talk about it. They need our support and our compassion."

Dr. Burke, in her book, *Forbidden Grief: The Unspoken Pain of Abortion*, co-authored with **David C. Reardon, Ph.D., Director of the Elliot Institute**, exposes the grief that women experience, sooner or later, about the abortion they had. Based on her experience with counseling hundreds of



clients, she explains how these repressed feelings surface through destructive behavior, failed relationships, eating disorders, alcohol and drug abuse, and other emotional and behavioral problems.

"I felt so terrible for any post-abortive woman, to have her grief dismissed, to have the life of her child trivialized. One of the beautiful things that we do in healing is reconnect with that child and honor the child's dignity and the memory to allow that child's life to bring us meaning because the child does have life in Christ."

#### **HEALING**

"I want to talk about healing," continues Dr. Burke. "We journey through a process of repentance that strips away self-contempt and hatred towards one's self, and replaces it with humility, grief, and tenderness. Repentance is an internal shift in our perceived course of life.

"We begin to develop a spiritual relationship with the aborted children. We name them and put their candles into the living water of Christ, the promise of everlasting life; we will meet them again. They actually meet their child with Christ in a meditation. Their child is whole and safe and happy. They're invited to reflect on the meaning of their child's life.

"They discover the love that God has for them and certainly the love that they have for their child, which they've been denying."

For additional information, visit *Rachel's Vineyard Ministries* at [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org).



### **\*\* January 19, 2024, Ad\*\***

#### ***"I NEEDED TO BE LOVED"***

"What message do I want to bring to American teenagers and their families? I didn't need to be lied to. I needed compassion. I needed to be loved. I needed to be getting therapy to help me work through my issues, and not being affirmed in my delusion that by transforming into a boy, I will solve all my problems," stated **Chloe Cole**, in her testimony before the **U.S. House Judiciary Subcommittee** as to the "dangers of 'gender-affirming care.'"

At age 18 she had a double mastectomy, and at age 21 "a total hysterectomy, including the removal of my uterus, cervix, fallopian tubes, and both ovaries."

Her testimony continued: "[Gender] transition is a big deal, and we're lying when we say that any of this is reversible. This is a big decision with lifelong consequences."

Gender ideology is simply a lie that a person can self-determine, based on their feelings and thoughts, that they



are male, female, both, neither, or something else, regardless of the reality they are either male or female. Claiming that an individual has a right to transition if they desire to change their gender identity is a disservice. Giving the medical and surgical means to feminize or masculinize their body's appearance is simply abuse.

The **American College of Pediatricians** recently released the statement: "Children who use puberty blockers to impersonate the opposite sex will require cross-sex hormones in late adolescence. Cross-sex hormones (testosterone and estrogen) are associated with dangerous health risks, including, but not limited to, high blood pressure, blood clots, stroke, and cancer."

**"Conditioning children into believing a lifetime of chemical or surgical impersonation of the opposite sex is normal and healthful, is child abuse."** *American College of Pediatricians*

"Biology and common sense have always recognized the simple reality that a person is born either male or female," teaches **Rev. Franklin Graham**.



**\*\* January 21, 2024, Ad\*\***

On March 1, 2023, the Falmouth, Kentucky, Police responded to a vacant residence because of a report of an abandoned newborn infant. Upon entry, the officer found a newborn baby unresponsive and not breathing. After being transported to Harrison Memorial Hospital, the newborn baby was declared deceased upon arrival.

**SAFE HAVEN BABY BOXES**

A baby box is a safety device box provided under Safe Haven Laws, enacted by many states, that legally permit a mother in crisis to safely, securely, and anonymously transfer the custody of the newborn child. A baby box is installed in an exterior wall of a designated fire station, hospital, or EMS building. It has an interior door with multiple alarms which allows a medical staff member to secure the newborn from inside the designated building.



Founder, **Monica Kelsey**, started **Safe Haven Baby Boxes, Inc.** (<https://shbb.org>) after learning she was abandoned as an infant. Although the organization's primary goal is to raise awareness of the Safe Haven Laws enacted throughout the country, women in crisis can call the national 24-hour hotline (1-866-99BABY1) and receive counseling and assistance free of charge.

To support a ministry dedicated to assisting women in need, contact the local volunteer advocate, **Lisa Klee** (Tel. 859-466-1192, Email [klee.lisa@icloud.com](mailto:klee.lisa@icloud.com)), or send your donation to Safe Haven Baby Boxes, P.O. Box 185, Woodburn, IN 46797.

Firefighters found a baby girl on July 17 inside a Safe Haven Baby Box in Kokomo, Indiana, Fire Station #1. "Although these are hard choices to make, we applaud the mother for giving her daughter the chance at life through an anonymous, safe, and legal option," stated Kokomo Fire Chief Chris Frazier.

Monica Kelsey states: "We are so grateful to this birth mother for bravely and sacrificially choosing what she believes to be best for her baby. We are honored that she trusted our program to protect her and her infant. There is a real beauty in seeing the families made with these babies, adopted by amazing families. It is a real chance to rewrite tragedy into a blessing."

Thanks to the very generous donations from proflers, Safe Haven Baby Boxes were installed at:

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|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <u>Kentucky</u>         | <u>Indiana</u>          |
| Ft. Mitchell Fire Dept. | Lawrenceburg Fire Dept. |
| Hebron Fire Dept.       | Versailles EMS          |
| Carrollton Fire Dept.   | Milan EMS               |
| Pendleton Cnty. AMB     | Sunman Life Squad       |
| Edgewood Fire Dept.     | Switzerland Cnty. Emer. |

Ohio

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| Delhi Fire Dept.            | Lebanon Fire Station |
| Union Township Fire Station |                      |



At the recently opened Edgewood, Ky., Safe Haven Baby Box: **Fred Summe, Pres. of NKRTL; Addia Wuchner, Pres. of KRTL; Julie Gallenstein, IHM Church; Karen Campbell, with Community Family Church; Monica Kelsey; and Lisa Klee.** Funding for this box was provided by the parishioners of **St. Pius X Church in Edgewood.** (In two more Kentucky cities, Safe Haven Baby Boxes are installed in the Ludlow Fire Department and the Warsaw Fire Department.)

## WHY DO PRO-LIFERS OPPOSE IVF (IN VITRO FERTILIZATION)?

### ALABAMA SUPREME COURT

On Feb. 16, 2024, the **Alabama Supreme Court**, in an 8-1 decision, held that human embryos conceived by in vitro fertilization, and who are located outside of a biological uterus at the time they were killed, were children. Thus the **Wrongful Death of a Minor Act** applies to all unborn children, regardless of their location.

In 2020, a client at the IVF clinic removed some embryos, accidentally dropping them, which resulted in the embryonic children's deaths. Three couples subsequently sued the IVF clinic for wrongful death.

The trial court dismissed the case, arguing that frozen embryos are property, not persons. The Supreme Court overruled the trial court, allowing the couples to proceed in pursuing civil damages against the IVF clinic.

**"All parties to these cases, like all members of this Court, agree that an unborn child is a genetically unique human being whose life begins at fertilization and ends at death," states the Supreme Court. "...the ordinary meaning of 'child' includes children who have not yet been born."**

The Court's ruling relied on Alabama's Constitution, which "acknowledges, declares, and affirms that it is the public policy of this state to ensure the protection of the rights of the unborn child in all manners and measures lawful and appropriate."

### MADE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD

In his Concurring Opinion, **Chief Justice Tom Parker** instructs: **"...that human life is fundamentally distinct from other forms of life and cannot be taken intentionally without justification – has deep roots that reach back to the creation of man 'in the image of God.' Genesis 1:27"**

The Chief Justice quotes **Thomas Aquinas** in *Summa Theologica*: "As Augustine observes, man surpasses other things, not in the fact that God Himself made man, as though He did not make other things...but in this, that man is made to God's image."



Based on this, the Chief Justice concludes: "Human life cannot be wrongfully destroyed without incurring the wrath of a holy God, Who views the destruction of His image as an affront to Himself. Section 36.06 recognizes that this is true of unborn human life no less than it is of all other human life – that even before birth, all human beings bear the image of God, and their lives cannot be destroyed without effacing His glory."

### "KILLED 30 BABIES TO CREATE ONE"

The outrage by the pro-abortion news media against the Alabama Supreme Court's decision would naturally be expected. How could any court make the outrageous statement that a unique human being's life begins at fertilization? Such a finding undercuts the basic lie of the abortion movement that life does not begin at fertilization.

If pro-lifers really believe that each human life is a gift from God, why would they object to children being conceived by IVF?

In her blog, **Jenny Vaughn** relates a story about IVF procedures done by her and her husband: "The doctor had retrieved 38 good eggs, of which 31 are fertilized. Over the next week, 16 of our embryonic children die and are discarded. Thirteen are cryogenically frozen, mostly two to a vial. Two fresh embryos are transferred to my uterus. ...But at 21 weeks gestation, our twins – Madi and



Isaiah – were born prematurely and only lived for one hour each. ...'It is rare for an embryo to not survive thawing.' Half of our babies didn't survive thawing. ...**Of 31 embryos created in a lab, only one survived to be raised by us. ...IVF kills 30 children for every one**

**that survives."**

In the Alabama decision, the Court even noted that the three couples had signed contracts with the IVF center in which "...their embryonic children were, in many respects, treated as nonhuman property: the Fondes [one couple] elected in their contract to automatically 'destroy' any embryos that had remained frozen longer than five years; the LePages [another couple] chose to donate similar embryos to medical researchers whose projects would 'result in the destruction of the embryos'; and the Aysennes [the third couple] agreed to allow any 'abnormal embryos' created through IVF to be experimented on for 'research' purposes and then 'discarded.'"

Since many embryos fail to implant in the mother's womb, it is a common practice to create more embryos than what will be used. Leftovers are either frozen indefinitely in a cryogenic chamber or simply destroyed.

As the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* notes: "A child is not something owed to one but is a gift. The 'supreme gift of marriage' is a human person. A child may not be considered a piece of property, an idea to which an alleged 'right to a child' would lead. **In this area, only the child possesses genuine rights: the right 'to be the fruit of a specific act of the conjugal love of parents,' and 'the right to be respected as a person from the moment of conception.'**"

No doubt, many couples who desire to have children, which is a good thing, practice IVF, and the children that were conceived are a blessing from God.

But even if couples who conceive a child through IVF may have the best of intentions, the **Catholic Church** has consistently taught that IVF is a grave evil. A good end does not justify evil means.

As explained by **Fr. Shenan Boquet, president of Human Life International**: "Right now, it is estimated that over one million embryonic human beings are in cryogenic suspended animation in U.S. IVF clinics. Many millions more are preserved in clinics elsewhere on the globe or are being created and experimented upon (and destroyed) in many universities. Tragically, our consciences have been dulled to this industrialized destruction of human life."

## “GENDER-AFFIRMING” TREATMENTS DO MORE HARM THAN GOOD



As reported by *Fox News*, the **American College of Pediatrics (ACPed)** released a position statement in February, in which it stated that “social transition, puberty blockers, and cross-sex hormones have no demonstrable, long-term benefit on the psychosocial wellbeing of adolescents with gender dysphoria.”

“A review of at least 60 research papers demonstrates no benefit to social affirmation, puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, or surgical interventions for these youth,” states **Dr. Jane Anderson**, lead author and vice president of ACPeds.

ACPed noted that “youth whose perceived gender identity does not align with their biological sex have high rates of mental health problems regardless of any affirmation of their gender identities.”

The researchers noted that their study “casts doubt on claims that social affirmation (like using desired pronouns) of transgender-identified youth helps their long-term psychosocial wellbeing.”

In their position statement, it was reported: “One study [that] purported to show a ‘lifetime suicidal ideation’ reduction in those who received puberty blockers actually found twice as many serious suicidal attempts in participants who received the blockers than in those who wished they had received them.”

Cross-sex hormonal interventions – treatments that trigger a transition to a desired gender – were also shown to have “little mental health benefit” and were even linked to a higher need for psychiatric care, ACPeds stated.

The doctors concluded that many teens who receive gender-affirming therapy, whether surgical or hormonal, ultimately revert to their biological gender. “There are individuals who now express regret regarding their transition,” states Dr. Anderson.

While taking hormone-altering therapies or transitioning to the opposite sex has become “all the rage,” states **Dr. Brett Osborn**, a Florida neurologist, the data suggests there is no long-term mental health benefit, reports *Fox News*. “In addition, those opting for hormone-altering therapies are potentially interfering with not only sexual development,” Osborn warned. “Testosterone and estrogen, the hormones primarily manipulated with such therapies, are integral to memory formation and mood.” He added, “Such [‘gender affirming’] surgeries permanently alter one’s physical appearance, carrying with them irreversible consequences, such as infertility and sexual dysfunction.”

**Dr. Marc Siegel**, clinical professor of medicine at **NYU Langone Medical Center**, and a *Fox News* medical contributor, commented: “Hormone-altering therapies are potentially interfering with not only sexual development, but also brain development. Long-term effects of puberty blockers may include bone loss, trouble concentrating, interference with learning, and interference with fertility.”

## ANOTHER SETBACK FOR BIDEN’S EFFORTS TO DISTORT THE LAW

In Jan., 2024, the **5<sup>th</sup> U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals** held that the state of Texas can uphold its pro-life laws.

In June, 2022, the Biden administration claimed that the **Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act** requires that an abortion be performed on a patient with a medical emergency even in states where it has been banned.

In *Texas v. Becerra*, the **American Association of Pro-Life Obstetricians & Gynecologists (AAPLOG)**, the **Christian Medical & Dental Association (CMDA)**, and the state of Texas had filed a suit against **U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) Xavier Becerra**. Having lost in the district court, the Biden administration appealed. A three-judge panel of the 5<sup>th</sup> U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals rejected the appeal.

“Abortion is not healthcare, and this move by the federal government was specifically designed to force doctors to perform abortions,” said **CMDA Senior Vice President of Bioethics and Public Policy Jeffrey Barrows, DO, MA (Ethics)**, who is an OB/Gyn. “Healthcare professionals are focused on trying to save their patients – not on trying to end the lives of the unborn. This grievous attempt by HHS puts our patients at risk, and the appeals court rightly agreed that it is illegal. This decision protects our most fundamental, constitutional freedoms of conscience, speech, and exercise of faith.”

“Hospitals - especially emergency rooms – are tasked with preserving life. The 5th Circuit correctly ruled that the federal government has no business transforming them into abortion clinics,” said **Alliance Defending Freedom Senior Vice President of Strategic Initiatives Ryan Bangert**, who argued before the Court, as reported by *lifeneews.com*.

Attorney Bangert continued: “Doctors shouldn’t be forced to break the Hippocratic Oath, and they shouldn’t have to choose between violating their deeply held beliefs or facing stiff financial penalties and being barred from the federally funded health programs. Emergency room physicians can, and do, treat life-threatening conditions such as ectopic pregnancies. But elective abortion is not life-saving care – it ends the life of the unborn child – and the government has no authority to force doctors to perform these dangerous procedures. We are pleased that the courts are allowing emergency rooms to fulfill their primary function – saving lives.”

“Induced abortion, the sole purpose of which is to end the life of our preborn patient, is not healthcare, and our members regularly treat serious pregnancy complications without it, which is entirely possible to do under existing Texas law, the AAPLOG stated. “This includes being able to perform maternal-fetal separations when a mother’s life is endangered by a pregnancy complication – something that is already allowed by EMTALA as well as by every state law in the country.”



## NORTHERN KENTUCKY RIGHT TO LIFE 2024 ELECTION CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE



6-week-old unborn child  
**VOTE FOR ME**

Pursuant to our long-standing policy of bringing to the public the views (and records) of candidates for public office, on these crucial "Life" issues, NKRTL sent questionnaires to candidates seeking office in the 2024 elections. After furnishing them detailed information concerning the issues, NKRTL advised them that their response (or the fact of their non-response, which could only be interpreted as unfavorable in that they either oppose its positions or are disinterested in these vital issues) would be published.

1. Will you actively support (and if in a position to do so, sponsor and vote for) a mandatory Human Life Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and to the Kentucky Constitution, which would codify the personhood of an unborn child from the moment of fertilization, and which would hold that all innocent human beings have the same right to life, from fertilization until natural death?
2. Will you actively support (and if in a position to do so, sponsor and vote for) legislation which will make it a criminal offense to perform, to assist with, or to pay for an abortion on another (such legislation would not prohibit those necessary medical procedures required to prevent the death of the mother who is suffering from a physical pathology such as ectopic pregnancy or cancerous uterus)?
3. Will you actively support (and if in a position to do so, sponsor and vote for) legislation preventing: (a) the use of tissue and organs from deliberately aborted children; (b) the use or destruction of live embryos for the purpose of extracting stem cells, for transplants or medical experimentations; (c) human cloning, whether for the purpose of development and bringing to full term a new human being, or for the purpose of development of a new human being for experimentation, or for the purpose of obtaining body parts or stem cells; and (d) the public funding of any of these activities?
4. Will you actively oppose (and if in a position to do so, work against and vote against) state or federal legislation or regulation mandating health insurance coverage of abortion (both surgical and chemical) and artificial contraception, and will you actively support (and if in a position to do so, work for and vote for) the repeal of the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare), which provides for the expenditure of funds for the payment of abortion, and for the repeal of the Federal HHS Mandate, a federal regulation enacted under Obamacare, which requires employers, regardless of their religious convictions, to provide healthcare insurance, without additional premium and without a co-payment, for payment of contraceptives, sterilizations, and abortion-producing drugs?
5. Will you actively oppose (and if in a position to do so, work against and vote against) any legislation which would allow the withdrawal from an infant, incompetent, or comatose person of food and water, regardless of how the food or water is provided (except in the case where death is imminent, and the patient cannot assimilate food or water)?
6. Will you actively oppose (and if in a position to do so, vote against) any legislation, administrative regulations, or initiatives of any type, which would decriminalize assisting or abetting someone in killing themselves (often referred to as "assisted suicide")?
7. Will you actively support (and if in a position to do so, sponsor and vote for) legislation requiring that the same medical treatment and the same standard of medical care be provided to handicapped persons, and that the decisions of whether to treat a handicapped person must be made on strictly medical grounds and not on speculations about the person's future "quality of life"?
8. Will you actively support (and if in a position to do so, sponsor and vote for) legislation which prohibits all use of local, state, federal, and/or Medicare or Medicaid funds for abortion (including chemical abortions, such as RU-486, or the so-called "morning after pill," Norplant, Depo Provera, or the so-called "standard birth control pill")?
9. If there should come before you the question of appointment or confirmation of an individual to any board, agency, or committee, etc., which does or could perform, counsel, refer, or fund abortion (including chemical abortions, such as RU-486, and the so-called "morning after pill," Norplant, Depo Provera, and the so-called "standard birth control pill"), will you nominate or confirm only individuals (1) who refuse to perform, counsel, refer, or fund any surgical or chemical abortion and (2) who refuse to support, vote for, or fund any government or private agency that would perform, counsel, refer, or fund any surgical or chemical abortion?
10. Will you actively support (and if in a position to do so, sponsor and vote for) legislation similar to Kentucky's "Do No Harm Act" (KRS 158.1415; 158.189; 158.191; and 311.372), which provides: (1) that public schools be required to give notification to parents concerning health services related to human sexuality, contraception and family planning, and granting parents the right to withhold consent to said services; (2) that public schools be prohibited from requiring personnel or students to use pronouns that do not conform with the student's biological sex; (3) that students shall not receive instruction in regards to exploring gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation; (4) that public schools shall prohibit students from using restrooms, locker rooms, or shower rooms, that are reserved for students of a different biological sex; and (5) that healthcare providers shall not,

for the purpose of attempting to alter the appearance of or to validate a minor's perception of the minor's sex that is inconsistent with the minor's biological sex: (a) Prescribe any drug to delay or stop normal puberty; (b) Prescribe hormones in amounts greater than would normally be produced in a healthy person of the same age and sex; (c) Perform any sterilizing surgery; (d) Perform any surgery that artificially constructs tissue having the appearance of genitalia differing from the minor's sex; and (e) Remove any healthy or non-diseased body part or tissue?

11. Will you refuse to support in any manner a candidate for any public office, who publicly states acceptance of the current status of legalized abortion, or who fails to disclose his position on the issue of abortion, or who has, as a public official, a record of support for abortion or of failing to oppose it, or who supports any of the above anti-life activities, unless his opponents have done these same things as he has?

### NKRTL-PAC ENDORSEMENTS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS

The long-standing policy of NKRTL-PAC regarding candidates for public office is clear and consistent:

1. NKRTL sends to each candidate a list of questions comprehensively covering the core sanctity of all innocent human life issues, with a detailed explanatory cover letter, explaining the Pro-Life position regarding each issue and the reasons and authoritative citations for such positions.
2. NKRTL explains that it will faithfully publish the candidate's responses, or non-responses, reserving the right to make an endorsement, or recommendation, or take no formal action at all.
3. NKRTL advises the candidates that a non-response can only be interpreted as unfavorable in that they either oppose the Pro-Life positions or are disinterested in these vital issues.
4. NKRTL publishes as much as it knows about the public record and statements of the candidates on these vital issues.
5. NKRTL never **endorses** a candidate unless his or her answers are 100% Pro-Life.
6. NKRTL sometimes makes a **recommendation** of a candidate, after a full disclosure of his positions, if his responses and record are not 100 percent Pro-Life but stand him materially above the other candidates.

Based upon these criteria, NKRTL-PAC publishes its conclusions and comments regarding the candidates in this primary and/or general election in Kentucky.

**Northern Kentucky Right to Life Political Action Committee** has issued **Endorsements and/or Recommendations** of some candidates in the **upcoming primary and/or general election**. These are based not only on the stated public positions of the candidates, including their answers to NKRTL's questionnaire, but also their past public records: Based upon the firm belief that what one has done is entitled to significantly more consideration than what one says ("By their fruits, ye shall know them..." Matthew 7:16), NKRTL undertakes herein to publish what it knows of the public record of these candidates, whether they are incumbents or those seeking office for the first time.

**The gravity of the surgical slaughter of 3,800 innocent children each day (one every 24 seconds) – and the even greater number of chemical abortions – demands that we ask of every citizen, particularly those aspiring to public office: "What are you doing to stop the killing?"**

**If a candidate supported terrorism, would you bother to ask him where he stands on other issues???**

NKRTL-PAC does not necessarily make **Endorsements or Recommendations** in every race. NKRTL-PAC never endorses a candidate unless he is 100% Pro-Life, with no exceptions. Sometimes, when NKRTL-PAC considers a candidate superior to the rest of the field, it will make a Recommendation, even though the candidate falls short of its 100% standard for Endorsement.

**NKRTL must point out to the reader that some candidates take it upon themselves to modify our questions, thereby failing to answer them specifically, and indeed making exceptions of their own, while simultaneously attempting to answer "yes," to attempt to present a Pro-Life position. Since the candidate has not answered "no," and their response cannot be truly reported as "yes" after they have modified or imposed conditions of their own, NKRTL has appropriately reported those evasive answers with an asterisk (\*). They failed to answer the questions as asked. Such action by the candidate deprives the voter of information on the candidate's position on the issues which the candidate avoided answering.**

### *A Prayer for the Unborn*

Heavenly Father, in Your love for us,  
protect against the wickedness of the devil,  
those helpless little ones to whom You have  
given the gift of life.

Touch with pity the hearts of those women  
pregnant in our world today.  
Help them to see that the child they carry  
is made in Your image, as well as theirs,  
made for eternal life.

Dispel their fear of selfishness and give  
them true womanly hearts to love their  
babies and give them birth and all the  
needed care that a mother can give.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son,  
Our Lord Who lives and reigns with You  
and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever.

*Amen.*



Share Catholic



**Thank you for voting for me.**

The results appear below (the Pro-Life response is "yes" to all questions):

	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9	#10	#11
<b><u>U.S. REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 4</u></b>											
Eric Deters (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Thomas Massie (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Michael McGinnis (R)	-----	-----	Yes	-----	Yes	Yes	Yes	-----	-----	-----	-----
<b><u>STATE SENATOR - DIST. 11</u></b>											
Duane Froelicher (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Steve Rawlings (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b><u>STATE SENATOR - DIST. 17</u></b>											
Karen Fields (D)	DID NOT RESPOND										
Julia Jaddock (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Matt Nunn (R)	DID NOT RESPOND										
<b><u>STATE SENATOR - DIST. 23</u></b>											
Jennifer Sierra (D)	DID NOT RESPOND										
Chris McDaniel (R)	DID NOT RESPOND										
<b><u>STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 60</u></b>											
Deborah Ison Flowers (D)	DID NOT RESPOND										
Christopher Pavese (R)	DID NOT RESPOND										
Marianne Proctor (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b><u>STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 61</u></b>											
Jarrod M. Lykins (R)	DID NOT RESPOND										
Savannah Maddox (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b><u>STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 63</u></b>											
Kim Banta (R)	DID NOT RESPOND										
<b><u>STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 64</u></b>											
Heather Crabbe (D)	DID NOT RESPOND										
Karen Campbell (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kimberly Poore Moser (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	-----	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-----	Yes
<b><u>STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 65</u></b>											
Aaron Currin (D)	DID NOT RESPOND										
Stephanie Ann Dietz (R)	DID NOT RESPOND										
<b><u>STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 66</u></b>											
Peggy Houston-Nienaber (D)	DID NOT RESPOND										
C. Ed Massey (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
T. J. Roberts (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b><u>STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 67</u></b>											
Matthew Lehman (D)	No	No	-----	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	-----
Jerry C. Gearding (R)	DID NOT RESPOND										
Terry W. Hatton (R)	DID NOT RESPOND										
Brian K. Ormes (R)	DID NOT RESPOND										
<b><u>STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 68</u></b>											
K. Brandon Long (D)	DID NOT RESPOND										
Mike Clines (R)	DID NOT RESPOND										
<b><u>STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 69</u></b>											
Wilanne Stangel (D)	DID NOT RESPOND										
Diane Brown (R)	DID NOT RESPOND										
Steven Doan (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b><u>STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 78</u></b>											
Mark Hart (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

## **U.S. PRESIDENT**

### **President Joe Biden**



President Joe Biden is the most pro-abortion U.S. president. Under his leadership, his administration has used the power of the federal government to remove any and all restrictions and safeguards on abortion, the intentional killing of an unborn child.

- Under his administration, the **U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)** has made the abortion pill an over-the-counter drug, removing all previous restrictions of the FDA that the pills only be dispensed



in-person to women taking them, and thus allowing these dangerous chemical drugs to be purchased without any sort of medical supervision, without the women knowing what effect it will have on their bodies, or understanding what happens to the child growing within. Biden's **U.S. Department of Justice** also declared that such abortion pills could be mailed across the country.

- Biden has sought to remove the conscience protection from doctors and nurses who refuse to assist in abortion and/or assisted suicide.
- Biden has used the **Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act** to coerce care facilities to commit the killing of unborn children on their premises.
- Biden has forced the **U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs** to provide to veterans and VA beneficiaries what he calls "abortion care."
- Biden insists that funds of the **U.S. Department of Defense** be used to pay traveling expenses for those in the military to have an abortion.
- Biden's **U.S. Department of Justice** supported lawsuits challenging state laws that oppose or place modest limits on abortion.
- Biden's **U.S. Department of Justice** has arrested and prosecuted those protesting in front of abortion mills.
- Biden has promised work to codify in the federal law *Roe v. Wade*.
- Biden's **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services** revoked the **Trump** administration's ruling which prohibited medical providers from being forced to perform abortions or to perform transgender "treatment."
- Biden's **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services** also issued a mandate requiring all pharmacists who serve those with **Medicaid** or **Medicare** to dispense abortion drugs, threatening legal action against any pharmacy that fails to do so.

### Donald J. Trump



In the four years **Donald J. Trump** served our nation as president, many pro-life groups acknowledged that he was the most pro-life president.

- Trump promised to appoint to the **U.S. Supreme Court**, **U.S. Courts of Appeals**, and **U.S. District Courts** those who uphold the sanctity of human life.
- With his appointments to the **U.S. Supreme Court**, the infamous decision of *Roe v. Wade* was reversed, a decision celebrated by Trump.
- Trump opposed tax funds being used to pay for abortions.
- Trump supported medical care being provided to children surviving an abortion.
- Trump was the first president to speak at the **National March for Life in Washington, D.C.**
- At the **Republican 2019 National Convention**, Trump allowed and encouraged a number of pro-life speakers to address the nation.
- Trump enacted pro-life policies, including cutting off **Title X** funds from **Planned Parenthood** and other abortion providers, and reinstated the **Mexico City Policy** which forbids taxpayer funds from paying for abortions in other nations.
- Trump has criticized gender ideology, stating that he would cut off funds to schools that push transgenderism; and has opposed the mutilation of minors by so-called "treatment" by puberty blockers, hormones, and surgery.

However, recently Trump claimed that he could work out a deal between those who favor abortion on demand, with those who uphold the sanctity of all innocent human life, a deal which would "make both sides happy." Mr. Trump perceives that there could be a compromise on abortion by enacting a federal statute outlawing abortions after so many weeks. Although it is unclear, he seems to support a 15-week ban on abortion. There is no compromise that will make everyone happy, since the Democratic party and their supporters in the news media will never abandon their advocacy of abortion on demand, without any limits or restrictions. On the other hand, pro-lifers know that it is morally unacceptable to ever compromise the life of an innocent unborn child.

Thus, a 15-week abortion ban would at best eliminate about 5% of abortions. At eight weeks, a child has all of his organs. At 13 weeks, a child's ovaries or testes are fully developed, and genitals are now forming. At 15 weeks, the baby now hears sounds from the outside world, and their eyes are sensitive to light.

With Biden's strong and aggressive pro-abortion position, and with Trump's prior pro-life record (even though far from 100%), **NKRTL-PAC recommends the election of Donald J. Trump (R) as president of the United States.**



## U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



8-week-old unborn child  
VOTE FOR ME

### U.S. REPRESENTATIVE - 4TH DISTRICT

NKRTL-PAC endorses **Thomas Massie (R)** for reelection to the U.S. House of Representatives. Not only are his answers 100% pro-life to our questionnaire, but he has stood up for those who stand up for life and has supported the passage of much of our pro-life legislation in Washington, D.C., including, but not limited to (see below): *Life at Conception Bill*; *Heartbeat Bill*; *Pain-Capable Bill* (20 week bill); and *Conscience Protection Act*.

Rep. Massie was the first public figure to defend the students and chaperones from Covington Catholic in spite of the massive onslaught by the pro-abortion news media.

**"I feel so blessed to represent a region that has an organization like Northern Kentucky Right to Life. This is the strongest pro-life group, not just in Kentucky, but one of the strongest in the country, oftentimes outshining the national organization, in fact,"** were the opening statements of Rep. Massie, who was the guest speaker at the 2019 Celebration for Life, and who

has been a frequent attendee of NKRTL's Celebration for Life when his elected office did not demand that he be in Washington, D.C.

### Pro-Life Bills Sponsored by Rep. Thomas Massie in the U.S. House of Representatives:

- ▶ No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion and Abortion Insurance Full Disclosure Act of 2019
- ▶ Heartbeat Protection Act
- ▶ Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act
- ▶ Life at Conception Act
- ▶ Defund Planned Parenthood Act
- ▶ Conscience Protection Act

## KENTUCKY STATE SENATE

### STATE SENATOR - DIST. 11

Seeking the senate seat held by the pro-life advocate **John Schickel (R)** (who is retiring this year) are two strong pro-life advocates. Both **Duane Froelicher (R)** and **Steve Rawlings (R)** responded 100% to the candidate questionnaire. Both have been supporters of NKRTL. However, since **Steve Rawlings**, who currently serves the **Kentucky House of Representatives**, has a track record of voting 100% pro-life and has introduced legislation to ensure religious freedom and to protect conscience rights of medical providers, **NKRTL-PAC endorses Steve Rawlings (R)**.

### STATE SENATOR - DIST. 17

NKRTL-PAC endorses the election of **Julia Jaddock (R)**, based upon her 100% pro-life answers to the questionnaire.

### STATE SENATOR - DIST. 23

Although State Senator **Chris McDaniel (R)** has a pro-life voting record, and has spoken out against abortion, it is a disappointment that he has declined this year to respond to NKRTL's candidate questionnaire. NKRTL-PAC declines to make any endorsement at this time; hopefully, Senator McDaniel will answer NKRTL's candidate questionnaire with 100% pro-life responses, so NKRTL-PAC can again endorse his candidacy in the November general election.

## KENTUCKY HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 60

NKRTL-PAC endorses the reelection of **Marianne Proctor (R)**, based not only upon her 100% pro-life answers to the candidate questionnaire, but also upon her 100% pro-life voting record and her continual support for NKRTL (including its events), attending the **March for Life**, and being a member of the **Right to Life Caucus**.

### STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 61

NKRTL-PAC endorses the reelection of **Savannah Maddox (R)**, based not only upon her 100% pro-life answers to the candidate questionnaire, but more notably her 100% pro-life voting record, her continual support for NKRTL (having spoken at a couple of our events), and her willingness to speak about life issues to various groups, expressing her commitment to the pro-life movement, especially in regards to her support of problem pregnancy centers.

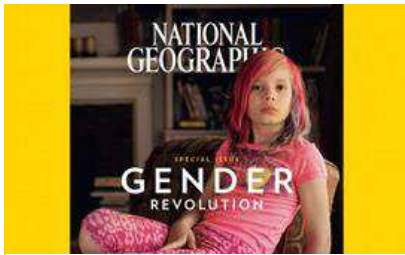
### STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 63

Based upon her failure to respond to NKRTL's candidate questionnaire, and based on her vote not to override **Gov. Andy Beshear's (D)** veto of the **Do No Harm Act**, which passed in the 2023 **Kentucky General Assembly**, NKRTL-PAC does **not** endorse **Rep. Kim Banta (R)**.

For a summary of Kentucky's "Do No Harm Act," see Question #10 of NKRTL's 2024 candidate questionnaire, listed on **page 6** of this newsletter. This bill has been referred to in the pro-abortion news media as "the anti-transgender care" act.

It was not surprising that pro-abortion Gov. Beshear vetoed the legislation, which was overwhelmingly enacted in both the House and in the Senate, and then his veto was overwhelmingly overridden by the House and the Senate. However, it was a great disappointment that three of the "no" votes against the legislation and against overriding the governor's veto

were by three Northern Kentucky state representatives: **Kim Banta (R)**, **Kimberly Poore Moser (R)**, and **Stephanie Ann Dietz (R)**. All of the Northern Kentucky state senators voted “yes” for the legislation and “yes” to override the governor’s veto.



*National Geographic's  
promotion of transgenderism*

### ***The State Has a Compelling Interest***

A letter released December, 2017, initiated by the **U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, and joined by faith leaders from the Lutherans, Anglicans, Orthodox, Presbyterians, and Southern Baptists**, addressed the great harm we are doing to our children by promoting what today is called "transgenderism."

"We come together to join our voices on a more fundamental precept of our shared existence, namely, that human beings are male or female and that the socio-cultural reality of gender cannot be separated from one's sex as male or female," the letter begins.

"Children especially are harmed when they are told that they can 'change' their sex or, further, be given hormones that will affect their development and possibly render them infertile as adults. Parents deserve better guidance on these important decisions, and we urge our medical institutions to honor the basic medical principle

of 'first, do no harm.' Gender ideology harms individuals and societies by sowing confusion and self-doubt.

**"The state itself has a compelling interest, therefore, in maintaining policies that uphold the scientific fact of human biology and supporting the social institutions and norms that surround it," as stated in the above letter.**

The letter continues: "The movement today to enforce the false idea - that a man can be or become a woman or vice versa - is deeply troubling. It compels people to either go against reason - that is, to agree with something that is not true or face ridicule, marginalization, and other forms of retaliation."

### **STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 64**

**NKRTL-PAC endorses Karen Campbell (R)**, based not only upon her 100% pro-life answers to the candidate questionnaire, but also upon her active support for NKRTL (including attendance at our Celebration for Life), and her attendance at the rallies at the state capitol.

Although NKRTL-PAC had in prior elections endorsed the incumbent, **Rep. Kimberly Poore Moser (R)**, it declines to do so now, based partly on her responses to the 2024 candidate questionnaire not being all pro-life, and because of her voting “no” on the **Do No Harm Act** and voting “no” to override Gov. Beshear’s veto.

### **STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 65**

Although NKRTL-PAC had endorsed in 2022 the election of the incumbent **Rep. Stephanie A. Dietz (R)**, it this year makes no endorsement in this race because of her declining to respond to the 2024 NKRTL candidate questionnaire, and because of her voting “no” on the **Do No Harm Act** and voting “no” to override Gov. Beshear’s veto.

### **STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 66**

**NKRTL-PAC endorses the election of T. J. Roberts (R)**, based upon his 100% pro-life answers to the candidate questionnaire, and his longtime support of NKRTL (including attendance at its events) and his membership and activity with **Students for Life**.

### **STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 67**

**NKRTL-PAC** declines to make an endorsement in this race, since the two Republicans failed to answer the NKRTL candidate questionnaire, and the Democratic candidate’s responses were not 100% pro-life.

### **STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 68**

Although State Rep. **Mike Clines (R)** has a pro-life voting record, and has spoken out against abortion, it is a disappointment that he has declined this year to respond to NKRTL’s candidate questionnaire. NKRTL-PAC declines to make any endorsement at this time; hopefully, State Rep. Clines will answer NKRTL’s candidate questionnaire with 100% pro-life responses, so NKRTL-PAC can again endorse his candidacy in the November general election.

### **STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 69**

**NKRTL-PAC endorses the reelection of the incumbent, State Rep. Steven Doan (R)**, based upon his 100% pro-life answers to the candidate questionnaire, his active support of NKRTL (including attendance at its events), his attendance at state rallies, and his 100% pro-life voting record as a state legislator.

### **STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DIST. 78**

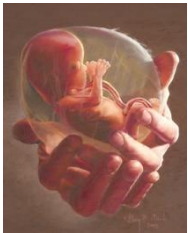
**NKRTL-PAC endorses the reelection of the incumbent, State Rep. Mark Hart (R)**, based not only upon his 100% pro-life answers to the candidate questionnaire, his 100% pro-life voting record in the Kentucky House of Representatives, and his continual support for NKRTL (including attendance at its events), his attendance at state rallies, and his unflinching support for pro-life legislation.



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### ELECTION RECOMMENDATIONS/ENDORSEMENTS OF NKRTL-PAC:

<p><b>RECOMMENDATION:</b> ✓U.S. PRESIDENT: Donald J. Trump (R)</p> <hr/>  <p>VOTE FOR ME</p>	<p><b>ENDORSEMENTS:</b> ✓U.S. REP. - 4th DIST: Thomas Massie (R)</p> <p>✓KY STATE SEN. - 11th DIST: Steve Rawlings (R) ✓KY STATE SEN. - 17th DIST: Julia Jaddock (R)</p> <p>✓KY STATE REP. - 60th DIST: Marianne Proctor (R) ✓KY STATE REP. - 61st DIST: Savannah Maddox (R) ✓KY STATE REP. - 64th DIST: Karen Campbell (R) ✓KY STATE REP. - 66th DIST: T. J. Roberts (R) ✓KY STATE REP. - 69th DIST: Steven Doan (R) ✓KY STATE REP. - 78th DIST: Mark Hart (R)</p>
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**TAKE THIS WITH YOU WHEN YOU VOTE!**

Announcements:



Thursday, May 9, 2024  
Receptions Event Center, Erlanger  
with special guest Scott Klusendorf

### PRAYER VIGIL FOR LIFE



EVERY SATURDAY we join together at 8:00 a.m. at **Holy Name Church**, Auburn and McMillan Avenues, Cincinnati, starting with Mass, Eucharistic Exposition, and Rosary procession to **Planned Parenthood** abortion site, where innocent blood is shed.

*"Can you not watch one hour with Me?"  
Mt. 26:40*