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37th TRAGIC ANNIVERSARY OF THE WAR ON THE UNBORN

More than 300,000 youthful, volunteer, resilient, and optimistic Pro-Lifers descended upon the Capitol in Washington, D.C., on January 22, 2010. While there was the usual media blackout on the television nationwide, the national organizer of March for Life, 84-year-old retired attorney **Nellie Gray**, who initiated the march in January of 1974, one year after *Roe v. Wade*, stated that the number of marchers this year "far exceeded last year's figure, which was estimated at well over 300,000." **The largest grassroots volunteer organization in the history of the nation is alive and healthy, and committed to continuation until the sanctity of all innocent human life is again recognized by law.**

Nationwide Demonstration

The massive crowd in Washington was not the only outpouring of support for life. Thirty-five thousand people joined the **6th Annual Walk for Life West Coast** in the heartland of sodomy and liberal politics, **San Francisco, on January 23**, while 6,000 came to the **Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life** noon rally in **St. Paul**, and more than 1,000 marched from **Cincinnati City Hall to Fountain Square**, cheering several speakers which included NKRTL President **Robert C. Cetrulo**.

Many who could not make the trip to Washington participated again in the **annual March for Life newspaper ad** sponsored for many years now by **Northern Kentucky Right to Life**.

Truth Ultimately Prevails

On the one side, we have the pro-death machine fueled by generous federal government grants, gigantic profits by Planned Parenthood, strong support among entrenched politicians, and effusively protected by their mouthpiece, the public media. On the other side, we have a grassroots organization throughout the United States, with no government funds, no financial profits, and ridiculed and slandered in the secular media, and frequently abandoned by what should be their core support, churches, religious affiliated organizations, schools and institutions, and religious orders.

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## MORE ADVOCATES BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD

**I**n your charity, please remember in prayer three faithful, persistent, and courageous Pro-Life warriors who died recently: **Carol Jean Maddox**, who for years volunteered her services to produce the tape recordings of NKRTL's Annual Celebration of Life; **Mary Lou Dickerson**, another longtime NKRTL member and faithful contributor who, faithful to the end of her life on earth, announced her last wish as requesting memorials to her favorite charity, NKRTL; **Margaret Ann O'Connell**, a longtime faithful member of NKRTL, whose husband, James D. O'Connell, and other members of the family have already made donations in her name to NKRTL - a timely reminder to all of us as to an excellent way of honoring our loved deceased; and **Norbert Gruber**, a friend of NKRTL, whose family requested memorials be made to NKRTL in his name.

**Fr. Thomas J. Euteneuer**, President of **Human Life International**, has just reported that the organization's original founder, **Fr. Paul Marx, O.S.B., Ph.D.**, has just died, just short of his 90th birthday. According to eyewitnesses, just before his death, Fr. Marx raised his hands and stated, "Take me home." Fr. Marx was an early committed and uncompromising Pro-Life advocate, and authored several books, including a widely distributed informative book captioned *The Death Peddlers*, the first major work of his many writings bringing the profound evil of the abortion industry to light.

We can be assured that we now have five more advocates before the throne of God, petitioning for the restoration of the sanctity of all innocent human life.

## OBAMACARE (AND "OBAMACARERS") = ABORTION!!!

The "so-called" **Patient Protection Act**, fashioned behind closed doors and sweetheart deals, passed by a whisker-thin 219 (all Democrat votes) to 216 in the U.S. House of Representatives, which on 3/21/10 approved the Senate bill, which had been condemned uniformly by the Pro-Life movement and many others including the **United States Conference of Catholic Bishops**. The USCCB stated the bill "requires federal funds to help subsidize and promote health plans that cover elective abortions. All purchasers of such plans will be required to pay for other people's abortions through a separate payment solely to pay for abortion," adding that the bill does not have "adequate conscience protection for healthcare providers, plans, or employers." (Statement of 3/11/10)

The bill passed on a Sunday evening, only after a deal was cut with seven "so-called" Pro-Life Democrats to change their "no" vote to "yes" for a promise by President Obama to sign an Executive Order guaranteeing that no federal funds will be used for abortion. Even if one could trust the most pro-abortion president in U.S. history, the Executive Order approach is patently ineffective, as the uniform decisions of U.S. appellate courts have made crystal clear for years that no restriction on abortion spending is effective without a specific congressional prohibition in the legislation - specifically rejected many times in the House and Senate.

These "Pro-Life" Democrats had been so advised in writing by eminent constitutional lawyers, including **Professor Robert Destro** of the Catholic University of America. However, they chose to select this fig-leaf "cover" of the gossamer promise by Obama, to attempt to hide their shameful betrayal of the Pro-Life cause. **U.S. Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes**, whose moral values are legitimately open to challenge, but whose logical incisiveness was indisputable, stated that "even a dumb dog knows the difference between being stumbled over and being kicked."

### **Stupak**

**Planned Parenthood President Cecile Richards** issued the statement calling the Executive Order "a symbolic gesture" but pointed out what everyone else knows, that despite the Executive Order, the newly passed bill will "significantly increase access to reproductive health care."

Another feminist/national columnist described the Executive Order as "utterly useless, and everyone knows it. ...Stupak, too, knew that the Executive Order was merely political cover for him and his pro-life colleagues...The only way to prevent public funding for abortion was for his amendment to be added to the Senate bill. ...in a matter of hours, he went from representing the majority of Americans

who don't want public money spent on abortion to leading the army on the other side."

The leader of these so-called "Pro-Life" Democrats, **Rep. Bart Stupak** of Michigan, had been scheduled to receive a Pro-Life award by the activist Pro-Life organization, **the Susan B. Anthony List**, two days later, but the group notified him of the cancellation of this award, expressing their profound disappointment in his betrayal.

### **Driehaus**

The group of "Pro-Life" Democrats originally had been 12 and secured the passage of the **Stupak Amendment** to the original bill in the House of Representatives, providing the express congressional disallowance of federal funds for elective abortion. However, the number shrank to seven in the final fight on the floor of the U.S. Senate. Unlike the courageous Spartans who effectively defended the narrow path at Thermopylae, these "Pro-Life" Democrats abandoned the defense of principle, which abandonment resulted in the narrow passage of this outrageous bill in the Senate by a margin of three votes. One of the "cut and runners" was Cincinnati, Ohio, Democrat **Steve Driehaus**, serving his first term in Congress after having defeated seven-term Pro-Life Republican **Steve Chabot**, whom he faces again in this Fall's election. A rally in his district the night before the crucial congressional vote was counted as nine to one against the bill, which will no doubt play out in a Chabot election in the Fall.

### **Is Bipartisanship Needed? A History Lesson.**

In 1974, a year after *Roe v. Wade*, the Kentucky General Assembly, overwhelmingly controlled by the Democratic party, passed by a large margin Pro-Life legislation including conscience rights, prohibition against public funding of abortion, etc. The Kentucky Senate that year passed a Resolution, memorializing the U.S. Congress to pass a constitutional amendment reversing *Roe v. Wade*, by a vote of 35 to 3 (27 Democrats and 8 Republicans versus 3 Democrats).

That same year, a **Northern Kentucky Right to Life** dinner event produced a Democratic congressman and a Republican congressman sitting together on the dias in support of life, to the amazement of our guest speaker, a member of the British House of Commons, who said that such bipartisanship was unheard of in England. It is now unheard of here, as the Democratic party has clearly become the party of abortion, which it enforces upon its members in terms of all sorts of political pressure, campaign contributions, threats, etc.

**Flash forward to the present time.** A **Woman's Right to Know Act**, which provides that the pregnant woman must be notified of the dangers of abortion, and of other options available to her, informed as to fetal development, etc., passes the Republican-controlled

Kentucky Senate every year, and is then bottled up every year (as it is again this year) in the Democratic-controlled Kentucky House of Representatives pro-abortion committees, as mandated by the pro-abort Democratic Speaker of the House and the majority leadership.

Democrats have realized the public appeal of a Pro-Life position, and have begun to run certain candidates calling themselves "Pro-Life." Two years ago, **Democrat Robert Casey** of Pennsylvania ran as a Pro-Life candidate, and promptly upon election to the U.S. Senate, cast his vote to kill unborn babies to cannibalize their parts in the embryonic stem cell Frankenstein-like procedure. On March 20 of this year, Casey was shown on television emphatically denying that the present Senate bill funds abortion, which assertion of course is totally untrue.

Not one Republican in Congress, either the Senate or the House, voted for the PPA death bill.

### ***Is the Phrase "Pro-Life Democrat" an Oxymoron***

***("contradictory words in combination")?***

**The answer is, for now, for some time past, and for the foreseeable future, regrettably, "YES."**

Aside even from the capitulation of the so-called Pro-Life Democrats in their opposition to this pro-abortion so-called health care legislation, the following relevant questions must be asked:

→Who actually elected the pro-abortion leaders in the House of Representatives (**Nancy Pelosi**) and in the Senate (**Harry Reid**), whose strong-arm tactics pushed through this pro-abortion legislation? The answer is 100 percent of the elected Democratic members of those houses.

→Who helped elect the most pro-abortion president of the United States, **Barack Obama**, whose immediate acts within a week of his election included the issuance of an Executive Order, reversing a previous Pro-Life Executive Order of **President George W. Bush**, and mandating payment by public taxpayers' money of abortions at military hospitals (which is a valid Executive Order and within his legal authority since there is no contrary statute on the subject)? The answer, of course, is the Democratic members of both houses of Congress, who were very influential in campaigning for Mr. Obama.

Two thousand years ago, Pontius Pilate failed in this defense of attempting to wash his hands of innocent blood and placed the blame upon the person who actually did the killing.

### ***Reality vs. Denial***

**What to do? Deal with reality, move on, third parties, and realignment of political parties to coincide with the Judeo-Christian principles. Wishing that a majority of both parties were Pro-Life does not make it so, and is as ineffective as hand-wringing.**

It is ironic to note that the PPA passed on the eve of the 245th anniversary of Great Britain's passage of the

oppressive Stamp Tax Act, which penalized the American colonies, and resulted in what? - the overthrow of a corrupt and oppressive government!!!

### ***Does This Mean That All Republicans Are Pro-Life? No!***

Even though the Republican party platform gives lip service to the sanctity of innocent human life, and the Democratic party platform supports not only the killing of unborn children but also the public funding thereof, not all Republicans are Pro-Life. For example, the 2008 Republican presidential candidate **John McCain** opposed a human life amendment plank in his own party platform, supported embryonic stem cell research, etc.

Republican President **George W. Bush** in 2004 enlisted the assistance of Republican Pennsylvania Senator **Rick Santorum** to support for reelection in Pennsylvania the other U.S. senator, Republican **Arlen Specter**, who had a 100 percent strident pro-abortion voting record, in a Republican primary against a Republican incumbent member of the U.S. House of Representatives. Specter was reelected and has since left the Republican party and returned to the Democratic party, which he originally left years before to become a Republican! Specter is now facing defeat this year in the U.S. senator's race in Pennsylvania, running this time as a Democrat, against the same Republican Pro-Life congressman whom he defeated six years earlier with the assistance of so-called Pro-Life Republicans George W. Bush and Ron Santorum.



### ***Is the Pro-Life Movement in Danger of Being Captured by the Republican Party?***

**The answer is yes, as to some "so-called" Pro-Lifers.**

In 1988, the **National Right to Life Committee** called **George H.W. Bush** "Pro-Life" in spite of his contrary voting record in the U.S. Congress, and his even stated position in favor of killing the unborn child for the crimes of the father, i.e., rape and incest.

In 2004, NRLC opposed a bill in the South Dakota state legislature that would produce a total ban on all abortions! And it opposed such legislation in Kentucky in 2006 also.

From 1973 to the present time, NRLC refuses to address the 2000-pound pink elephant in the center of the living room, i.e., the reality that the so-called birth control pill, and "emergency contraception," are in reality chemical

abortion, as is shown without dispute by the *Physicians Desk Reference* (the pharmacology book that sits on the desk of every physician in the United States), by the **Federal Drug Administration** publication, and in fact by

the paper wrappers that come in the pill container from the pharmacies. It continues to endorse as "Pro-Life" those politicians who cause the continued public subsidy of these abortifacient chemicals.

In 2008, NRLC first endorsed for President of the United States **U.S. Senator Fred Thompson** of Tennessee, despite the fact that he opposed a Human Life Amendment in his own party platform, favored the killing of unborn children during the first three months, opposed the congressional efforts to save the life of **Terri Schiavo**, who was killed by starvation and dehydration, and as a lawyer had represented **National Family Planning and Reproductive Health Association**, a strident pro-abortion organization. Then, after Thompson lost in the Republican primaries, NRLC turned and endorsed for president the pro-abort remaining candidate, John McCain, whose record is described above.

***The Disqualifying Issue***

**The "Disqualifying Issue" principle, i.e., that certain issues are so fundamental as to trump all other issues - 150 years ago it was slavery.**

**Could you now vote for a pro-slavery candidate, whatever his stand on other issues? No more could you support the surgical slaughter today of innocent unborn American babies at the documented rate of 1,206,200 per year -- 3,307 per day -- 138 per hour -- 9 every 4 minutes --1 every 26 seconds -- 48 million since *Roe*!**

**Mr. Stupak and his so-called Pro-Life Democrats colleagues apparently disagree that such slaughter is a "disqualifying issue." We shall now see if their constituents agree.**

That banner of undiluted truth is now carried in this nation by **American Life League**, P.O. Box 1350, Stafford, VA 22555 (website: all.org), whose simple policy is undeniable: **"NO COMPROMISE, NO EXCEPTIONS, NO APOLOGIES."**

**Hard, specific candidate questionnaires are necessary for every political candidate. See NKRTL's website:**

**www.nkrytl.or**

Until these lessons are learned and followed faithfully, the Pro-Life movement will continue to suffer such **g. ongoing disastrous defeats as the PPA, which**

**See NKRTL-PAC endorsements, infra**

**constitutes the broadest extension of abortion since *Roe v. Wade*, 37 years ago.**

**Pray, and persist!!!**