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# MAY 21, 2019, PRIMARY ELECTION ENDORSEMENTS OF NKRTL-PAC:

# **ENDORSEMENTS:**

✓GOVERNOR: Matt Bevin (R)

✓LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR: Ralph Alvarado (R)

✓SECRETARY OF STATE: Michael G. Adams (R) Andrew English (R) Stephen L. Knipper (R) Carl "Trump" Nett (R)



Gov. Matt Bevin

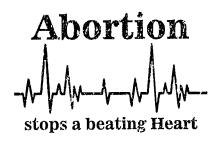
- ✓ATTORNEY GENERAL: Daniel Cameron (R) Wil Schroder (R)
- ✓ AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS: Mike Harmon (R)
- ✓STATE TREASURER: Allison Ball (R)
- ✓ COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE: Bill Polyniak (R) Ryan F. Quarles (R)

"There is no governor in this country that is more pro-life than Matt Bevin," stated U.S. Rep. Thomas Massie (R).

### TAKE THIS WITH YOU WHEN YOU VOTE!



A rejected gift from God - Have we forgotten what abortion is?





April 2019

# NORTHERN KENTUCKY RIGHT TO LIFE 2019 PRIMARY ELECTION CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

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 <u>primary election of May 21, 2019.</u> 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.

All need to consider the following three realities:

Q: HOW IS THE KILLING MACHINE KEPT IN PLACE? ANSWER: BY LAWS.

Q: WHO KEEPS THOSE KILLING LAWS IN PLACE? ANSWER: PUBLIC OFFICIALS, ELECTED AND APPOINTED.

Q: HOW THEN CAN ONE, WHO PUTS IN OFFICE OFFICIALS WHO KEEP THE KILLING GOING, CLAIM TO BE PRO-LIFE? ANSWER: THEY CAN'T.

ACTIONS DO HAVE CONSEQUENCESI WHAT WE DO IS A BETTER GUIDE TO WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE BELIEVE THAN WHAT WE SAY!

- 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 Proyera, 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. If you become involved in the legislative process, would you take the initiative to compel a recorded vote on all Pro-Life legislation, whether by discharge petition or whatever other parliamentary practice is available?
- 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?

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The results appear below (the Pro-Life response is "yes" to all questions):											
	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9	#10	#11
KENTUCKY GOVERNOR/LT. GOVERNOR Rocky Adkins (D) Stephanie Horne (D)						t Respon t Respon					
Andy Beshear (D) Jacqueline Coleman (D)				,		t Respon t Respon					
Adam H. Edelen (D) Gill Holland (D)					Did Not Respond Did Not Respond						
Geoffrey "Geoff" M. Young (D) Joshua French (D)					Did Not Respond Did Not Respond						
Matthew G. Bevin (R) Ralph Alvarado (R)	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes
Robert Goforth (R) Michael T. Hogan (R)	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes
Ike Lawrence (R) James Anthony Rose (R)					Did Not Respond Did Not Respond						
William E. Woods (R) Justin Miller (R)					Did Not Respond Did Not Respond						
SECRETARY OF STATE Jason S. Belcher (D) Jason Griffith (D) Heather French Henry (D)					Did Not Respond Did Not Respond Did Not Respond						
Geoff Sebesta (D)	No	No	Yes	~~~~	No	No	Voo	No Yes	Yes	Yes Yes	No Yes
Michael G. Adams (R)	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Andrew English (R) Stephen L. Knipper (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Carl "Trump" Nett (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
ATTORNEY GENERAL					Did Not Respond						
Gregory D. Stumbo (D) Daniel Cameron (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wil Schroder (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS Kelsey Hayes Coots (D) Drew Curtis (D) Sheri Donahue (D) Chris Tobe (D) Mike Harmon (R)	Yes Yes Yes Yes				Did Not Respond Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes						
STATE TREASURER Michael Bowman (D)						Did Not Respond Did Not Respond					
Josh Mers (D) Allison Ball (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE Robert Haley Conway (D) Responded, but declined to answer questionnaire. Did Not Respond											
Joe Trigg (D) Bill Polyniak (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	ot Respoi	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ryan F. Quarles (R)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes



#### **GOVERNOR/LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

NKRTL-PAC enthusiastically endorses the reelection of Matt Bevin (R) for Governor, and endorses the election of Ralph Alvarado, M.D. (R) for Lt. Governor.

"Roe v. Wade was an absolute abomination of the Constitution of the United States of America. Nowhere in the Constitution, by even the farthest stretch of someone's imagination, does the right to kill another human being exist. 'Hey, it's been settled. It's the law of the land. That's just the way it goes.' So, too, was Dred Scott, that said people of color, people who were African American, were not even human. They could be owned by

other human beings. This, too, was the law of the land," stated Gov. Bevin, the guest speaker at the September 30, 2018, NKRTL 45th Annual Celebration for Life.

# NKRTL-PAC ENDORSEMENTS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS

The longstanding 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
- 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.

NKRTL never endorses a candidate unless his or her answers are 100 percent 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 May 21, 2019, primary election in Kentucky.

Northern Kentucky Right to Life Political Action Committee has issued Endorsements and/or Recommendations of some candidates in the upcoming primary election of May 21, 2019, and the upcoming general election of November 5, 2019. 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.

Since Gov. Bevin took office in 2016, numerous pro-life legislation has become law:

- ▶20-Week Abortion Ban (Pain Capable Ban)
- ▶ Ban on Telehealth Chemical Abortions
- ▶Ban on Abortion Once Roe v. Wade Is Overturned
- ▶ Defunding Planned Parenthood
- ► Banning Dismemberment Abortion
- ► Human Rights of the Unborn Non-Discrimination Act
- ► The Ultrasound Bill
- ► Honoring Pregnancy Help Centers
- ▶ Banning Abortions After Baby's Heartbeat Begins
- ► Abortion Prescription Reporting

#### LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Sen. Ralph Alvarado, M.D. (R), gave 100% affirmative responses to the questionnaire, and sponsored the Ban on Telehealth Chemical Abortions, which had an amendment specifically prohibiting medical abortions via the telehealth connection, making this a significant pro-life bill - doctors may not dispense an abortion pill with only a "computer visit." The doctor has a 100% pro-life voting record. NKRTL-PAC endorses the election of Ralph Alvarado, M.D. (R) for Lt. Governor.

#### SECRETARY OF STATE

Based on the 100% affirmative responses to the questionnaire received from all four Republican candidates for Secretary of State, NKRTL-PAC endorses all four Republicans: Michael G. Adams (R), Andrew English (R), Stephen L. Knipper (R), and Carl "Trump" Nett (R).

#### ATTORNEY GENERAL

Based on the 100% affirmative responses to the questionnaire received from the two Republican candidates for Attorney General, NKRTL-PAC endorses both Republicans: Daniel Cameron (R) and Wil Schroder (R).

#### AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

NKRTL-PAC endorses the reelection of Mike Harmon (R) for Auditor of Public Accounts, based on his 100% affirmative responses to the questionnaire, as well as his 100% pro-life voting record as a state representative, and as one of the primary sponsors of the Kentucky Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (HB 393), when it was first introduced in the Kentucky House of Representatives.

#### STATE TREASURER

NKRTL-PAC endorses the reelection of Allison Ball (R) for State Treasurer, based upon her 100% affirmative responses to the questionnaire, as well as her personal history of involvement in the pro-life movement with the Appalachian Pregnancy Center, as well as attending other pro-life events in Kentucky,

#### COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE

Based on the 100% affirmative responses to the questionnaire received from the two Republican candidates for Commissioner of Agriculture, NKRTL-PAC endorses both Republicans: Bill Polyniak (R) and Ryan F. Quarles (R).