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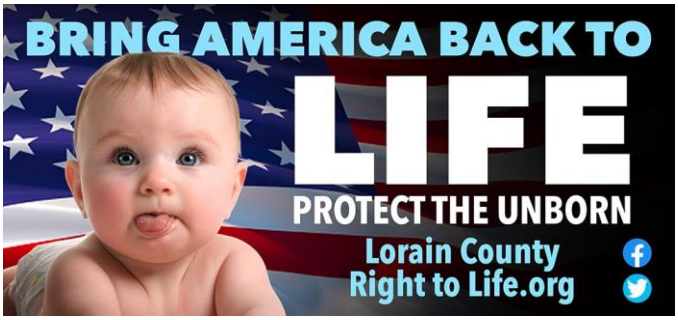
DEAR READERS: These are truly challenging times. Not only in our own personal lives, but also in our ongoing struggle to "Deliver those who are being taken away to death" and who are "Staggering to slaughter" (Prov. 24:11). Despite our efforts, and those of our Ohio government, the killing of unborn children in the womb continues unabated in our great state. Perhaps by now you have heard that the abortion industry in Ohio has defied an order by the Ohio Department of Health to curtail all non-essential and elective surgeries, of which abortion certainly qualifies. Even a strongly worded letter from Attorney General Dave Yost was ignored. Adding insult, a federal judge has blocked Ohio from using the coronavirus public health order to restrict abortions. Despite these setbacks, and with the public health emergency that is before us, Lorain County Right to Life continues on with our mission to educate the public regarding the evils of abortion, infanticide, euthanasia and other horrendous practices that erode the respect for life in our culture. We will be posting on our website when we will be able to hold board meetings again. Please join us, or contact us about how you can become involved. God bless you. And God bless America!

John Ciarrone, President
Lorain County Right to Life

ELECTION 2020: Lorain County Right to Life, by IRS rules does not participate or intervene in political campaigns on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. However, we can provide information to our members on where candidates stand on issues of importance to us, and also what is in the candidate's party platforms. Please see our Web-Page: Loraincountyrighttolife.org/election2020 for regularly updated election information.

COME PRAY: Please join us on the first Thursday of each month, at the Prayer Vigil at the Planned Parenthood in Lorain from 3-4 p.m. This facility is located in the YWCA Women's Center building at 200 W. 9th St. While this facility does not perform surgical abortions, they (like all Planned Parenthood facilities) encourage sexual promiscuity, and provide abortifacients, such as the birth control pill, even to minor children. Please join the Prayer Vigil each first Thursday afternoon. Prayer is the most potent weapon we have in the battle for life! Due to the COVID-19 virus, please call 440-322-0076 or check our website for the status of our Prayer Vigil.



2020 SIGNATURE AD AND BILLBOARD CAMPAIGN: Thank you to the over 800 people who sponsored our Annual Signature Ad and Billboard Campaign! The full-page Ad appeared in print and on the websites of area newspapers to commemorate the tragic anniversary of the January 22, 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decisions (Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton) that legalized the child-killing of abortion throughout all nine months of pregnancy. Ten billboards were on display around Lorain County throughout the month of January (some are still up!). A copy of the newspaper ad is available on our website (www.loraincountyrighttolife.org). The Campaign is only possible because of the generous support of our sponsors. We are extremely grateful to our sponsors for helping to share the message of life. If you, the church you attend, or a civic organization you belong to would like to help sponsor the Campaign next year, please call us (440-322-0076) or send us an email (info@loraincountyrighttolife.org).

NEWS AND NOTES:

SIGN UP FOR OUR TEXT MESSAGING SERVICE TO GET TIMELY UPDATES AND ALERTS: In an effort to improve our communication with you, please consider opting in to our new text messaging service. This will allow us to send you short, timely messages on upcoming events and legislation. To opt in, just text the phrase Right2Life to the number 484848 from your cell phone. Messages and data rates may apply. You can opt out at any time.

HOME-MADE AFGHANS: A generous member of Lorain County Right to Life has made available some beautiful Afghans for a suggested donation of $50 or more to our life saving work. We are extremely grateful for the hard work that went into making these one-of-a-kind creations! To see photos and sizes of all the Afghans that are available and to make a donation, go to: loraincountyrighttolife.org/afghans.

LIFE AT CONCEPTION ACT: The Life at Conception Act (House Bill 413) was introduced in the Ohio House of Representatives on November 14, 2019, and seeks to do the following in Ohio statute:

Legally recognizes an unborn human as a person. Effects the change that any provider performing an abortion by any method, including but not limited to medical, surgical or chemical methods will be subject to already existing murder statutes. Provisions protect doctors who perform life-saving procedures and treatments on pregnant women, although the treatment may unintentionally result in the termination of the pregnancy. A whistle-blower provision in the bill provides affirmative defense to those (including the woman upon whom the illegal abortion may be committed) who help law enforcement officers investigate abortions. This whistle-blower defense does not apply to medical practitioners who promote, provide or procure an abortion.

Representative Candice Keller observed "The time for regulating evil and compromise is over. The time has come to abolish abortion in its entirety and recognize that each individual has the inviolable and inalienable Right to Life. Only respect for life can be the foundation of a free society that supports peace, justice and integrity." "This is the beginning of a journey to the future of protecting all defenseless life, especially that of the unborn, in our laws" stated Molly Smith, President of Cleveland Right to Life and President of the Right to Life Action Coalition of Ohio (RTLACO). "Our supporters believe, as do the majority of Ohioans, that life is precious and deserves the full protection of statute." "The most important aspect of this visionary legislation is the recognition that unborn children are human beings from conception and should be afforded the equal protection of our laws" noted Meg Wittman, Executive Director of Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati and Chair of RTLACO's Legislative Committee. "We stand shoulder to shoulder with these strong Pro-Life legislators and will work to bring this bill into law." Rep. Ron Hood put forth the underlying impetus behind House Bill 413: "Since the Supreme Court's 1973 decision on Roe v. Wade, countless innocent children have died at the hands of the abortion industry. Up until this point, legislators have only regulated abortion. They have decided which classes of people have a Right to Life by creating exceptions to abortion, which is tantamount to creating exceptions to pre-meditated murder. In our society, killing defenseless human beings is always classified as murder." HB 413 was assigned to House Criminal Justice Committee on November 19, 2019.

ATTENTION STUDENTS AND TEACHERS: Our website (www.loraincountyrighttolife.org) is regularly updated with extensive information on Pro-Life issues. Perfect for papers and assignments. Check out the Resources and Issues tab on our website. We also welcome suggestions for additions.

TELEMEDICINE ABORTION BAN: Senate Bill 260, the Telemedicine Abortion Ban, passed in the Ohio Senate on March 4, 2020. This bill would prohibit the use of telemedicine for the purpose of providing abortion-inducing drugs. Statistics demonstrate that since the telemedicine abortion program started in Iowa in 2008, chemical abortions rose to make up 64 percent of all abortions, the highest in the U.S. The FDA has determined that Mifeprex, the most common form of a chemical abortion, carries with it a risk great enough that they have required a REMS (Risk Evaluation Mitigation Strategies) to be developed. Only approximately 5% of all the FDA approved medications are currently required to have a REMS. This legislation would ensure that abortion-inducing drugs could only be prescribed after an in-person examination by the prescribing physician. Republican Senator Nathan Manning of Lorain County voted against the bill. It will now go to the Ohio House for consideration.

DAVID DALEIDEN VS. PLANNED PARENTHOOD: In the trial of undercover videographer David Daleiden and other pro-lifers affiliated with the Center for Medical Progress (CMP) which concluded on November 15, 2019, Judge William Orrick awarded Planned Parenthood (PP) damages of $870,000. The jury thus concluded that the pro-lifers broke California's law which forbids recording anyone by sound or video without first getting their permission. Daleiden and his team had attended PP and National Abortion Federation conferences and recorded their employees, and, with permission, one woman who worked for a fetal body parts procurement company. The videos exposed PP's sale of fetal body parts, failure to obtain proper informed consent from patients, and the illegal modification of normal abortion procedures to obtain undamaged body parts. Judge Orrick was previously requested to recuse himself because of his wife's support of PP but he refused, and an appeal was denied. Although Judge Orrick dropped six of 15 charges against the pro-lifers, his support of PP was clearly mirrored in his rulings. David Daleiden and the other CMP defendants will appeal this conviction. In addition, CMP is suing Dr. Savita Ginde, the chief Medical Officer of PP of the Rocky Mountains, for her false and defamatory claims that the undercover footage is "fake." Having left PP in 2017, Dr. Ginde published a memoir and made a presentation in 2018 which she claims the videos were "dubbed," "spliced and diced" and even "fabricated" and "faked." Yet she admits that she never fully watched the videos and "had no intention of ever doing so." (Excerpt from *Winter 2020 Lifelines)*

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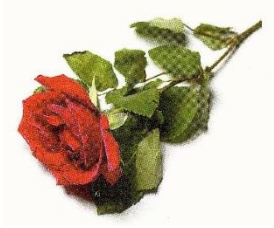
Helen Span from her daughter, Caroline Tallman



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