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STOP DISMEMBERMENT ABORTION

Unthinkable Brutality, Dismemberment Abortion

The ground-breaking “Unborn Child Protection from Dismemberment Abortion Act” is now signed into law in two states, Kansas and Oklahoma. This Act is a legislative priority for Michigan.

This law forbids a particularly gruesome method of abortion which (for that reason) abortionists do not honestly describe in detail to women. A law is needed because D&E dismemberment abortions are as brutal as the partial-birth abortion method, which is now illegal in Michigan and the United States.

Know the facts and be ready to respond to protect children preparing to be born from unthinkable brutality.

Q: Is “dismemberment” too harsh a description?

A: NO.

Dismemberment abortion is an accurate description of this brutal procedure. Supreme Court Justice Kennedy has himself described the procedure in a simple and powerful way, when he wrote:

“After sufficient dilation [of the cervix], a doctor inserts grasping forceps through the woman’s cervix and into the uterus to grab a living fetus. The doctor grips a fetal part with the forceps and pulls it back through the cervix and vagina, continuing to pull even after meeting resistance from the cervix. The friction causes the fetus to tear apart. For example, a leg might be ripped off the fetus as it is pulled through the cervix and out of the woman. The fetus, in many cases, dies just as a human adult or child would: It bleeds to death as it is torn apart limb by limb. The fetus can be alive at the beginning of the dismemberment process and can survive for a time while its limbs are being torn off. The process of dismembering the fetus continues until it has been completely removed. A doctor may make 10 to 15 passes with the forceps to evacuate the fetus in its entirety, though sometimes removal is completed with fewer passes. Once the fetus has been evacuated, the placenta and any remaining fetal material are suctioned or scraped out of the uterus. The doctor examines the different parts to ensure the entire fetal body has been removed.”

Q: Aren’t dismemberment abortions rare?

A: NO.

Dismemberment abortions are a common and brutal type of **D&E abortion**. According to the National Abortion Federation Abortion Training Textbook – *“D&E remains the most prevalent method of second-trimester pregnancy termination in the USA, accounting for 96% of all second trimester abortions.”* Approximately 100,000 unborn babies die each year after the first trimester.

Q: Dismemberment abortions are used to kill relatively undeveloped children, aren’t they?

A: NO.

Before the first trimester ends, the unborn child has a beating heart and is making her own blood, often a different blood type than her mother’s. The unborn child has brain waves, legs, arms, eyelids, toes, and fingerprints. Every organ (kidneys, liver, brain, etc.) is in place, and even teeth and fingernails have developed.

The unborn child can turn her head and even frown. She can kick, swim, and grasp objects placed in her hand. Dismemberment abortions—performed on unborn children as old as 24 weeks—occur after the baby has met these milestones. Any unborn child aborted using the Dismemberment Abortion procedure after 20 weeks would feel the pain of being ripped apart during the abortion.

Q: Are dismemberment abortions ever necessary to preserve the life and health of the mother?

A: NO.

Dismemberment abortions are never medically necessary to preserve the life of a mother in acute medical emergencies—dilation of the cervix alone can take at least 36 hours. Additionally, according to the National Abortion Federation Abortion Training Textbook, **D&E abortions** are a preferred method, in part, --not because they are necessary, but because they are cheaper than other available methods.

Q: Does dismemberment abortion have wide support in the medical community?

A: NO.

The violent and dehumanizing nature of dismemberment abortion undermines the public’s perception of the appropriate role of a physician and confuses the medical, legal, and ethical duties of physicians to preserve and promote life.

Details and diagrams on abortion procedures including “Dismemberment Abortions” can be found on our website: www.MuskegonRTL.org. If you would like information mailed to you, call us at 231 733-6300.



“President’s Place”

Happy Mother’s Day! As we celebrate our Mothers this year, please keep in your prayers the Mothers who may be in pain because of abortion. Roughly 1 in 3 American women will have an abortion before age 45.

I don’t know about you, but I’m seeing many articles (even in Yahoo as I open my e-mail) trying to “normalize” abortion. They are boldly supporting abortion as routine, a woman’s right/choice, many times a method of birth control. Their shared stories portray abortion as “normal” and that it should be legal, safe and without apology.

Here’s the problem. Because we don’t want to cause pain to someone that is suffering from abortion, we don’t often discuss the graphic description of what abortion really is. But the truth is: PEOPLE WON’T REJECT ABORTION UNTIL THEY SEE ABORTION.

Thanks to prolife President Bush, we have been successful in banning one barbaric abortion procedure, the “Partial Birth Abortion”, across our nation. We are now trying to ban another brutal procedure, the “Dismemberment Abortion” state by state. (With our pro-abortion President, this ban would be vetoed nationwide.) You will find some of the graphic details of Dismemberment Abortion on page 1. Now law in two states, Kansas and Oklahoma, this Act is a legislative priority for Michigan.

In addition to putting an end to this horrible procedure, it’s an opportunity for America to “see abortion”. You can help. Information on abortion procedures can be found on our web site: www.MuskegonRtL.org. If you’d like information mailed to you, call us at 231 733-6300. Please become familiar with the facts so you can share them and help people see abortion for what it really is! Thank you!

It’s already been a year since we relocated our office! We are still at 427 Seminole, just a new suite number. Please be sure to mail to our new Suite 108. Thank you!

We hope you and your family will walk or ride with us in the Memorial Day Parade. Your kids and grandkids will enjoy it! May God bless you for all you do to protect life.

Pat Vendal, President, Muskegon County Right to Life



Please join us on Memorial Day in the Fruitport Old Fashioned Days Parade

DATE: Monday, May 25, 2015

MEET: 12:30 p.m. at Fruitport Middle School
Parade begins at 2:00 p.m.

Adults, students and children are welcome! You can walk or ride the float. Please come in a white shirt as we want to look unified as a group. Call 231 733-6300 with any questions. Join us for a fun afternoon with family and friends. We hope to see you on Memorial Day!

Reported Abortions Increase for 2014

(Data released by the Michigan Department of Community Health)

Abortions performed in Michigan:

2014: 27,629
2013: 26,120

This is a 5.8% increase from the total reported in 2013, but a 43.7 percent decrease since 1987 (the year with the largest number of induced abortions).

Chemical abortions (non-surgical) increased:

2014: 6,935
2013: 5,103

Increase in the number of women from other states coming to Michigan for abortions:

2014: 1,317
2013: 708

Abortions Committed on Girls Under the Age of 18 Continues to Decline

In 1990, 3,820 abortions on minors were reported. The reported figure for 2014 is 917, a 76% decrease since 1990.

No matter what the procedure or where the mothers come from to have an abortion, we are deeply saddened by the loss of precious lives. While the overall trend of decreasing abortions is encouraging, this year’s increase and the annual overall numbers serve as a reminder that our prolife efforts must continue - lives depend on us.



In Loving Memory of ...

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By Paul E. Bozik Sr.

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By Donna Christensen

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By Marguerite Fitzsimmons

Dick Kuhn
By Jody Kuhn

Robert Lund
By Mary Lund

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Henryetta Snyder
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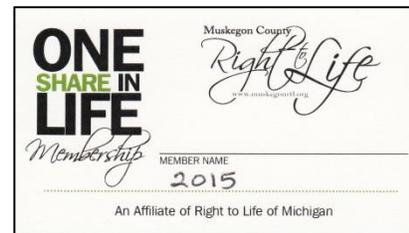
Thank you for your generous support!

Please consider Muskegon Right to Life as a memorial at the time of passing of a loved one. Memorial envelopes are provided by local funeral homes. An acknowledgment will be sent to the family or person you designate. The amount of your gift will remain confidential.

We would like to thank the area churches that gathered names and donations for our annual Billboard & Signature Ad Campaign:



- Bethel Baptist, Fruitport
- Bridge Bible - North
- Bridge Bible - South
- Calvin Christian Reformed Church
- Faith Baptist Church
- Friendship Wesleyan
- Mona Shores Baptist
- New Era Christian Reformed Church
- Orchard View Congregational
- Our Lady of Assumption
- Our Lady of Grace
- Prince of Peace
- River of Life Assembly
- Sacred Heart
- Sheridan Dr. Baptist
- St. Catherine, Ravenna
- St James Catholic, Montague
- St Mary of the Woods
- St Thomas
- St. Marys
- St. Michaels
- Trinity Lutheran
- West Michigan Worship Center



Have you received your 2015 Membership card yet?

We mail nearly 900 newsletters, but to date have received only 35 membership renewals. Your annual membership donation funds our life saving efforts in Muskegon, including our local office, website and newsletters. (Membership form on page 4)

Thank you for renewing your annual membership!

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E-mail: _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Bronze | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Silver | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$75 Gold | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Platinum | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$_____ Other | |

As a member, you will receive the Muskegon County and the Michigan *Right to Life* newsletters, and you are invited to use the educational materials at the Muskegon County Right to Life office.

Please make your checks payable to:

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