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UNDERCOVER VIDEOS SHOW SHOCKING REVELATIONS ABOUT HARVESTING ABORTED BABIES FOR POSSIBLE SALE

In mid-July the first undercover video by The Center for Medical Progress came across social media and exposed the shocking callousness and candidness of Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA) Affiliates personnel with regard to PP Affiliates' harvesting of aborted babies' tissues and organs for possible sale to a fetal tissue procurement company. They have been releasing one video a week (one week there were two) and, at the time of this writing, we have now seen seven videos. Some are interviews with PP Affiliates and PPFA top level

personnel. Some show the "labs" inside PP abortion facilities where PP technicians and journalists posing as reps from a tissue procurement company pick through bloody aborted baby parts, looking for organs and tissue.

The fifth video was filmed inside PP of the Gulf Coast's mega clinic in Houston. On camera their Director of Research Melissa Farrell is caught discussing their ability to deliver whole, intact babies for research. Inside the PP "POC — Products of Conception" lab we see more gruesome footage of bloody baby parts being picked through by the lab tech. PP of the Gulf



Coast is doing later-term abortions and the baby shown in this video was

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Q DOES NEBRASKA RIGHT TO LIFE HAVE A DEATH PENALTY POSITION? A NO

With the Legislature repealing the Death Penalty and the Referendum to overturn that repeal, we received questions about National Right to Life, Nebraska Right to Life and its local Chapters and whether we take a position on the death penalty. The answer is No.

From its inception in 1973, National Right to Life (NRLC) and its 50 State Affiliates, of which we are one, has had a single-issue focus. We are non-denominational

and non-sectarian. Our mission is to bring as many people together from all walks of life to work to restore legal protection to innocent human life from conception through death. That does not include, and never will, a position on the death penalty or any number of other unrelated issues such as same sex marriage. We welcome people who are for or against the death penalty to work with us to protect the innocent who are at risk of death from abortion and euthanasia.

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FALLS CITY

Falls City Friends for Life members gather for their July meeting, where the NRL Executive Director brought a County Fair package for the Richardson County Fair and spoke.



LINDSAY/HUMPHREY

Members of Lindsay & Humphrey Right to Life meet with the NRL Executive Director in July.



LINCOLN

County Fair Care Packages were sent to 20 locations around the State.



HASTINGS

South Central Nebraska Right to Life billboard



KEARNEY

Kearney Christians for Life booth at the Buffalo County Fair.



SEWARD

Seward County Pro-Life Council Fair entry



BROKEN BOW

Justice for All Leader Rebecca Haschke gave a workshop in Broken Bow in July on how to dialog with others about abortion. The event was organized by Veronica Cooper, a Mason City student who first heard Rebecca talk at the National March for Life in Washington, D.C., in January.



LINCOLN

Jack Odgaard, Sidewalk Counselor, is interviewed by KETV in front of the Planned Parenthood of the Heartland abortion facility in July regarding the first Center for Medical Progress PP video.

SHOCKING VIDEOS SHINE LIGHT ON PP

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later term. They talked about aborting babies from 17 to 22 weeks. In Nebraska, our ban on abortion based upon fetal pain prohibits abortions beyond 20 weeks, but LeRoy Carhart is doing abortions up to 20 weeks in Bellevue while flying to Maryland every week to do later-term abortions that he can't do in Nebraska.

In the seventh video, the heartbreaking footage shows Holly O'Donnell, former employee of tissue procurement company Stem Express in California, discuss how she was asked to slice the face open of a late-term baby in order to harvest his brain, after she had just seen his heart beating in his little chest.

Truly horrific details and images have come from these videos. It has prompted officials in 12 States to initiate investigations into their State's abortion facilities to determine if any of the tissue harvesting for remuneration is going on. It has also prompted some States to look into defunding PP, either of any State funds they receive or of federal "pass-through" funds such as Medicaid and Title X monies.

Nebraska Right to Life has been in communication with several top elected officials in the State, including Gov. Pete Ricketts since the first PP video was released weeks ago. We are discussing what options are available regarding

legislation (which Senator Al Davis of LD 43 has an interest in). Such action would impact not just Planned Parenthood of the Heartland with abortion facilities in both Omaha and Lincoln, but also LeRoy Carhart's facility in Bellevue as he originally was supplying aborted fetal tissue research to UNMC in the 2000s when we first went to the Legislature in an attempt to ban aborted fetal tissue research. Planned Parenthood of the Heartland continues to maintain that they are not participating in PP's "fetal tissue procurement program."

Whenever a video comes out, NRL immediately posts it on several social media sites and sends it to State Senators and our own State media. This has resulted in our Executive Director Julie Schmit-Albin being interviewed in a number of radio interviews with KLIN and KFOR in Lincoln as well as stories in the Omaha World-Herald and Lincoln Journal-Star.

One can only imagine what we will be seeing by the time CMP releases its last video, it says there are 12-13 in total. The National Abortion Federation has gone to Court to get an injunction to stop CMP from showing footage which was obtained by attending several of their national conferences.

NRL DOES NOT HAVE A DEATH PENALTY POSITION

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Thank you to local Right to Life Chapters in keeping your vocal efforts in your Counties and Communities on saving the lives of the unborn and those at risk of euthanasia.

However, we do have a position on hypocrisy.

EVERY 'PRO-CHOICE' STATE SENATOR VOTES TO REPEAL DEATH PENALTY WHILE IGNORING INNOCENT HUMAN LIFE KILLED BY ABORTION

While Nebraska Right to Life takes no position on the death penalty, we do point out hypocrisy when we see it. Every "pro-choice" member of the Nebraska Legislature voted to repeal the death penalty in May, re: their concern about the State being directed to take human life.

Unfortunately that argument does not compel them to oppose aborting those most innocent among us, unborn babies, and they applaud Sen. Ernie Chambers for blocking pro-life legislation. We would ask the "pro-choice" State Senators (denoted with asterisk) to consider supporting pro-life

legislation in the future to protect all human life.

We also call on pro-life State Senators who voted to repeal the death penalty while invoking their pro-life conscience to re-double their efforts to get pro-life bills out of the Judiciary Committee and onto the floor.

Voting to override the veto:

Roy Baker *
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for list of participating
Nebraska cities.



KEARNEY STUDENT INTERNS AT NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE

*By Marilyn Synek
UN-K Sophomore*

This summer I was chosen to work for life in Washington, D.C. I interned in the Federal Legislation Department of National Right to Life.

During my time in D.C., I assisted NRTL's Legislative Director in working to pass the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act in the U.S. Senate. The legislation passed in the House with a 242 to 184 majority six days before I arrived in the District. In June, Sen. Lindsey Graham introduced the Senate bill. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell has promised an upcoming vote.

Having the opportunity to work in D.C. was an amazing experience, and I am excited to apply the skills I learned in Nebraska.



FETAL MODELS EDUCATE CHILDREN

**Our thanks to David Alan Jones
for providing 3,000 12-week fetal
models to hand out to children at
our State Fair Booth!**