

WEEKLY BUSINESS SESSION – February 8, 2017

5:30 p.m. – Anne G. Basker Auditorium
600 N.W. Sixth Street, Grants Pass, OR 97526

Present: Simon G. Hare, Chair; Lily N. Morgan, Vice-Chair; and Daniel E. DeYoung, Commissioner; Wendy Watkins, Recorder

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Pursuant to notice through the media and in conformance with the Public Meeting Law, Simon G. Hare, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Items discussed were as follows:

1. PROCLAMATION(S):

- a. In the Matter of Proclaiming the Month of February 2017 as Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month** *(One original Proclamation filed with the County Clerk)*

Commissioner Morgan read the Proclamation.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS IN CONSIDERATION OF:

BOARD DECISIONS UNDER ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS WERE MADE AFTER PUBLIC COMMENT WAS RECEIVED

- a. Approval of Order No. 2017-006; In the Matter of Amendment to Josephine County Administrative Policy and Procedure A-5, Responding to Citizen Complaints**

Julie Schmelzer, Community Development Director, explained people want to report violations but are afraid to report them out of fear and this policy would allow the department to accept anonymous complaints.

- b. Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement #151689 between Josephine County and Oregon Department of Human Services for DD53 Client Transportation** *(One original Agreement filed with the County Clerk)*

Commissioner DeYoung provided this is a new agreement with Oregon Department of Human Services to provide a flexible group ride service to clients traveling to and from work sites and activity centers.

3. REQUESTS/COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS: *(Each person will be given three (3) minutes to speak)*

Sandi Cassanelli, Merlin, spoke in opposition to Order No. 2017-006.

Judy Ahrens, Josephine County, spoke in opposition to Order No. 2017-006.

David Staudenraus, Josephine County, spoke in support of Order No. 2017-006.

Ron Smith, Josephine County, spoke in opposition to Order No. 2017-006.

Cheryl Outfleet, Josephine County, spoke about a hazardous neighbor in her neighborhood.

Judy Ano, Josephine County, spoke in support of Order No. 2017-006 and submitted five pictures from Cloverlawn Neighborhood Watch (**Exhibit 1**).

Justin Corns, Josephine County, spoke about a hazardous neighbor in his neighborhood.

Mark Seligman, Selma, spoke in opposition to Order No. 2017-006.

Rich Echman, Josephine County, spoke about a hazardous neighbor in his neighborhood.

Charlie Ties, Josephine County, spoke in support of Order No. 2017-006.

John Leash, Josephine County, asked if Josephine County was a Sanctuary County.

Kurt Ramey, Grants Pass, read and submitted Abortion: America's National Holocaust (**Exhibit 2**).

Ginger Edlefsen, Josephine County, spoke about a hazardous neighbor in his neighborhood.

Ennis Kendall, Josephine County, spoke about a hazardous neighbor in her neighborhood.

Bill Hunker, Merlin, spoke in opposition to Order No. 2017-006.

Gunter Ambron, Josephine County, spoke about coordinating neighborhood watch programs.

Caroline Leash, Grants Pass, spoke about the hazardous neighbors not obeying the law.

Jennifer Bezos, Grants Pass, spoke about the hazardous neighbor in her neighborhood.

Board Discussion and Action – Agenda Item 2(a)

Commissioner Morgan made a motion to table Order No. 2017-006; In the Matter of Amendment to Josephine County Administrative Policy and Procedure A-5, Responding to Citizen Complaints, seconded by Commissioner DeYoung. Upon roll call vote, motion passed 3-0; Commissioner DeYoung – yes, Commissioner Morgan – yes, and Commissioner Hare – yes.

Board Discussion and Action – Agenda Item 2(b)

Commissioner DeYoung made a motion to approve Intergovernmental Agreement #151689 between Josephine County and Oregon Department of Human Services for DD53 Client Transportation, seconded by Commissioner Morgan. Upon roll call vote, motion passed 3-0; Commissioner DeYoung – yes, Commissioner Morgan – yes, and Commissioner Hare – yes.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR:

- a. **Minutes** (*Draft minutes are available for viewing in the Board's Office*)
Executive Session (Open Session) – January 25, 2017
Weekly Business Session – January 25, 2017
General Discussion – January 26, 2017
County Administration Workshop – January 26, 2017
Executive Session Meeting – January 31, 2017
Weekly Business Session – February 1, 2017
- b. **Professional Services Agreement between Josephine County and Management Partners for Public Works Assessment** (*One original Agreement returned to Public Works for full execution*)
- c. **Title III – SRS 2014 Project Application – Allocate Additional Funding to Firewise Communities Existing Project; and Grant Agreement with Oregon Department of Forestry for Firewise Communities Program** (*One original Title III SRS 2014 Project Application returned to Finance and one original Agreement filed with the County Clerk*)
- d. **Resolution No. 2017-006; In the Matter of an Appointment to the Josephine County Board of Health** (*One original Resolution filed with the County Clerk*)
- e. **Resolution No. 2017-007; In the Matter of Appointments to the Josephine County Fair Board** (*One original Resolution filed with the County Clerk*)

Board Discussion and Action:

Commissioner DeYoung made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar Agenda Items 4(a) through 4(e) as listed, seconded by Commissioner Morgan. Upon roll call vote, motion passed 3-0; Commissioner DeYoung – yes, Commissioner Morgan – yes, and Commissioner Hare – yes.

5. **OTHER: (ORS 192.640(1))** “. . . notice shall include a list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered at the meeting, but this requirement shall not limit the ability of a governing body to consider additional subjects.”)

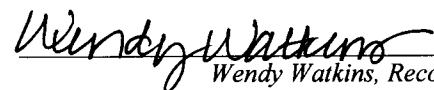
Commissioner Hare explained coordination letters are sent annually regarding participation in Federal Land Use Planning efforts. (*One original letter mailed to Federal Agencies*)

Commissioner Morgan made a motion to approve the Coordination Letters, seconded by Commissioner DeYoung. Upon roll call vote, motion passed 3-0; Commissioner DeYoung – yes, Commissioner Morgan – yes and Commissioner Hare – yes.

6. MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

None reported.

Weekly Business Session adjourned at 7:36 p.m.


 Wendy Watkins, Recorder

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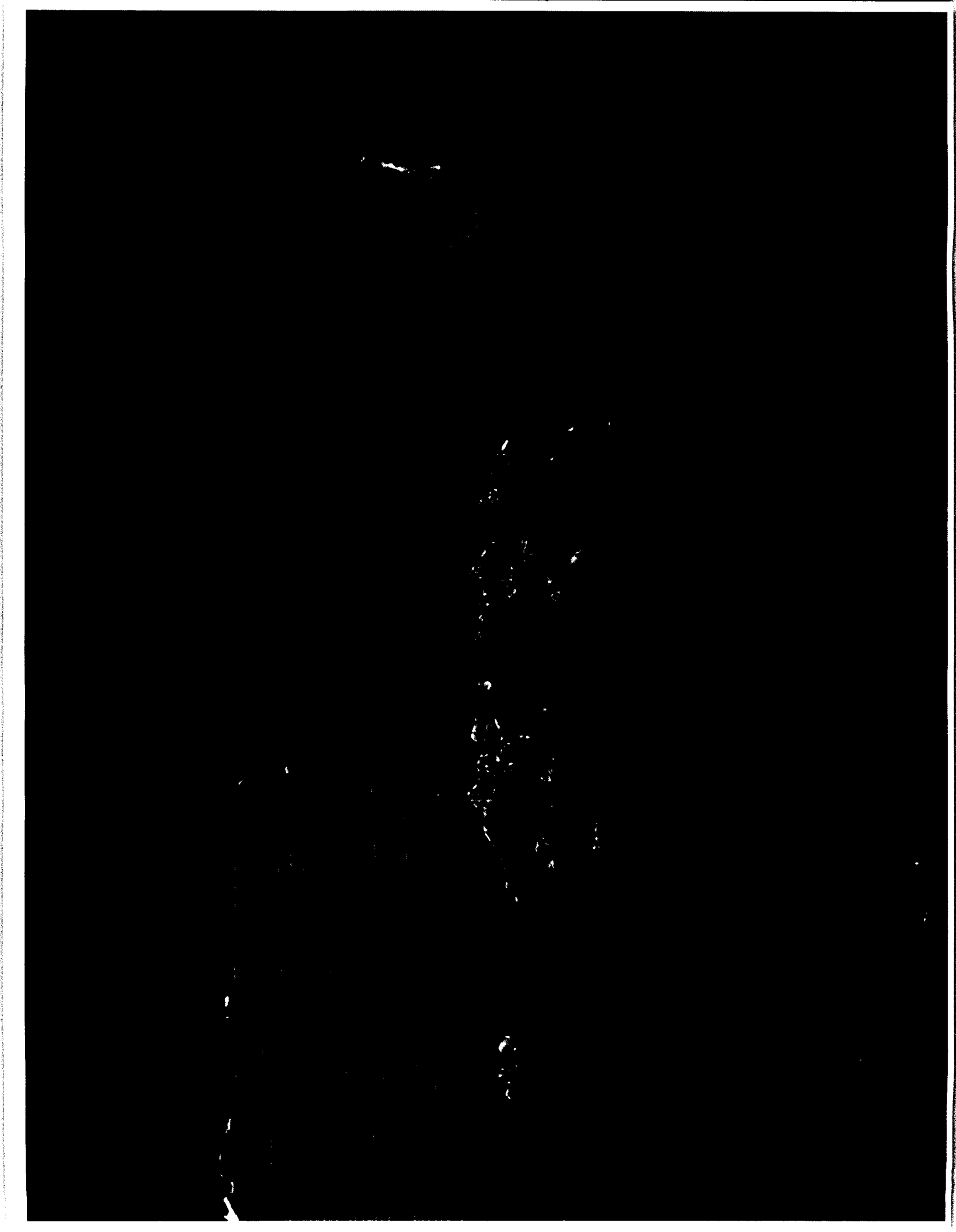
Exhibit 1 – Five Pictures from Cloverlawn Neighborhood Watch
Exhibit 2 - Abortion: America's National Holocaust

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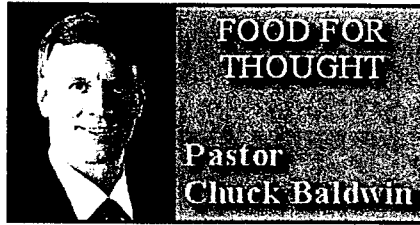


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FOURTY-FOUR YEARS AND SIXTY MILLION DEAD BABIES

By Chuck Baldwin
January 26, 2017
NewsWithViews.com

The Republican Party touts itself as being "pro-life." The claim is so much hot air. The GOP controlled the entire federal government for six of G.W. Bush's eight years in office. They did nothing about Roe.

Last Sunday, January 22, was the forty-fourth anniversary of the Roe v Wade and Doe v Bolton Supreme Court decisions legalizing abortion-on-demand. Since those dreadful decisions, nearly sixty million helpless, innocent unborn babies have been mercilessly slaughtered in the wombs of their mothers.

Think about it: an American fifty years of age or younger has no conscious recollection of a country where abortion-on-demand was NOT legal. And the truth is, both major parties and the vast majority of America's pastors and churches are equally culpable for this slaughter of innocents.

✕ The Republican Party touts itself as being "pro-life." The claim is so much hot air. The GOP controlled the entire federal government for six of G.W. Bush's eight years in office. They did nothing about Roe. This in spite of the fact that every year Congressman Ron Paul would introduce the "Sanctity of Life" Act; and every year the GOP leadership in Congress let the bill collect dust in the document room and die. And President Bush never once voiced his support for the bill. NOT ONCE. The bill was never voted on by a congressional committee, much less by the Congress as a whole.

✕ Had Dr. Paul's bill become law it would have 1) defined life as beginning at conception, and 2) under Article. III. Section. 2. of the U.S. Constitution, completely removed abortion from the jurisdiction of the Court, thereby overturning Roe v Wade. All of this talk about "nothing can be done about abortion-on-demand until some magical configuration of the Supreme Court" is just smoke and mirrors. Congress and the President could end abortion-on-demand anytime they wanted to. Plus, never forget that the Supreme Court has been dominated by Republican appointments ever since the Roe decision in 1973--and still nothing. NOTHING!

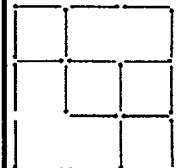
✕ To add insult to injury, these national "pro-life" organizations like the "National Right To Life Committee," "Focus On The Family," and the "U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops"--and their affiliates at the State level--have consistently OPPOSED Dr. Paul's "Sanctity of Life" Act and State personhood bills. Their reasoning goes something like this: "Since it was a Supreme Court ruling that instituted abortion-on-demand, we must wait for the U.S. Supreme Court to issue a ruling reversing the decision." Such reasoning is Balderdash!

✕ In 1857, the Supreme Court issued a ruling that African slaves were "so far inferior, that they had no rights which the white man was bound to respect;

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and that the Negro might justly and lawfully be reduced to slavery for his benefit. He was bought and sold, and treated as an ordinary article of merchandise and traffic, whenever a profit could be made by it."

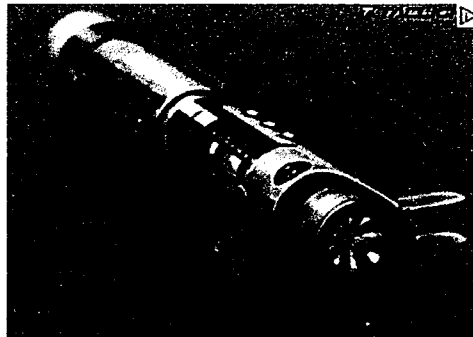
Now please tell me, when was the Dred Scott decision EVER reversed by the Supreme Court? It wasn't! The Supreme Court NEVER reversed the Dred Scott decision. It was reversed by the passage of the 14th Amendment in 1868. And as you know, a constitutional amendment is an act of the U.S. Congress proposing and the individual states approving an amendment. In other words, the Supreme Court wasn't involved in the remedy AT ALL.

It is the responsibility of each branch of Congress to serve as a check and balance to the other two branches. In other words, when the Supreme Court issues an unconstitutional ruling (which the Roe and Doe decisions certainly were), it is the duty of the other two branches, especially Congress, to correct the abridgments of the judicial branch. Why else would Article. III. Section. 2. (along with other provisions) even be in the U.S. Constitution? To suggest that the Supreme Court is the final arbiter of the Constitution is antithetical to the sacrosanct doctrine of the separation of powers, which America is founded on.

I submit that if the Supreme Court is the lone arbiter of the Constitution, the oaths that a President and members of Congress take to "preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States" are absolutely moot and meaningless. Why take an oath to something you have no obligation to or responsibility for? If the Supreme Court alone is the arbiter of the Constitution, the other two branches of government are totally unnecessary.

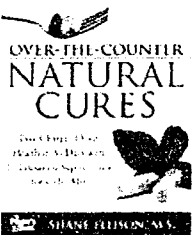
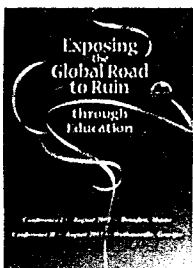
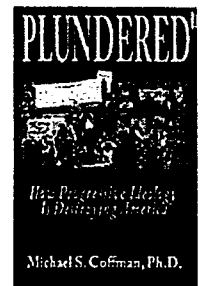
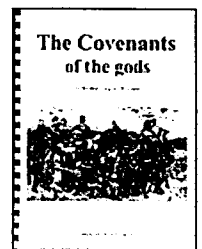
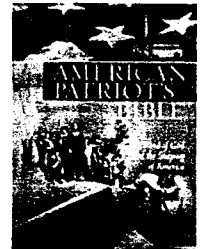
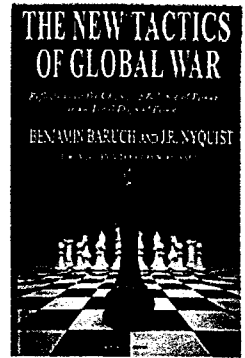
Here is what Thomas Jefferson wrote regarding this fallacious doctrine of judicial supremacy:

"The Constitution . . . meant that its coordinate branches should be checks on each other. But the opinion which gives to the judges the right to decide what laws are constitutional and what not, not only for themselves in their own sphere of action but for the Legislature and Executive also in their spheres, would make the Judiciary a despotic branch." (Thomas Jefferson to Abigail Adams, 1804)



"The question whether the judges are invested with exclusive authority to decide on the constitutionality of a law has been heretofore a subject of consideration with me in the exercise of official duties. Certainly there is not a word in the Constitution which has given that power to them more than to the Executive or Legislative branches." (Thomas Jefferson to W. H. Torraine, 1815)

"In denying the right [the Supreme Court usurps] of exclusively explaining the Constitution . . . then indeed is our Constitution a complete [act of suicide]. For intending to establish three departments, coordinate and independent, that they might check and balance one another, it has given, according to this opinion, to one of them alone the right to prescribe rules for the government of the others, and to that one, too, which is unelected by and independent of the nation. . . . The Constitution on this hypothesis is a mere



thing of wax in the hands of the judiciary, which they may twist and shape into any form they please." (Thomas Jefferson to Spencer Roane, 1819)

"To consider the judges as the ultimate arbiters of all constitutional questions [is] a very dangerous doctrine indeed, and one which would place us under the despotism of an oligarchy. Our judges are as honest as other men and not more so. They have with others the same passions for party, for power, and the privilege of their corps. . . . And their power the more dangerous as they are in office for life and not responsible, as the other functionaries are, to the elective control. The Constitution has erected no such single tribunal, knowing that to whatever hands confided, with the corruptions of time and party, its members would become despots. It has more wisely made all the departments co-equal and co-sovereign within themselves." (Thomas Jefferson to William C. Jarvis, 1820)

These so-called pro-life organizations have been waiting around for forty-four years for the magical configuration of the Supreme Court to reverse Roe. And in the meantime, nearly sixty million unborn babies have died. And again, I remind you that the Republican Party has dominated the appointments to the Supreme Court during the years following the Roe and Doe decisions in 1973--and continue to dominate the makeup of the Court today.

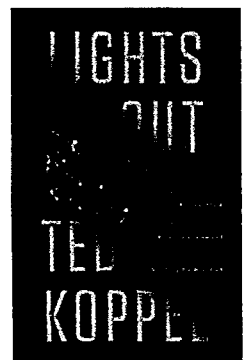
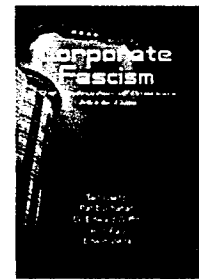
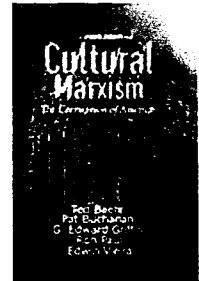
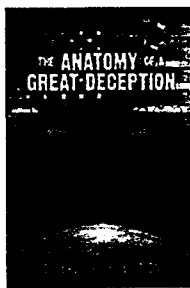
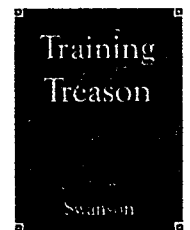
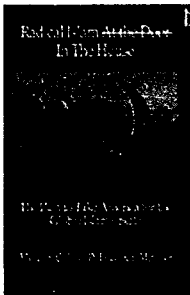
Also digest this: these national "pro-life" organizations commonly have retirement benefits built into the contracts of their staff. What does that tell you? It tells you that these organizations have no intention or expectation of Roe being reversed. I personally believe these "pro-life" groups care NOTHING about ending abortion, because if that actually happened, they wouldn't be able to continue to suck millions of dollars annually from pro-life Christians and conservatives and, thus, keep their plush jobs intact.

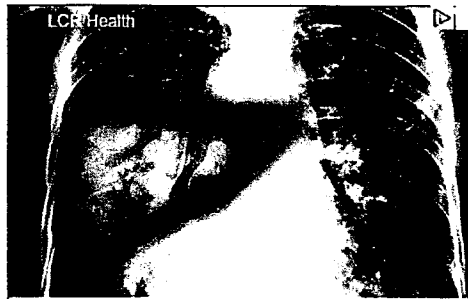
At the national and State levels, these so-called pro-life organizations lobby AGAINST personhood bills and bills such as Ron Paul's "Sanctity of Life" Act. They--as much as liberal Democrats--are responsible for our federal and State legislatures doing NOTHING to reverse Roe. Legislators like it because it allows them to tout themselves as being "pro-life" to their constituents back home without sticking their necks out, and "pro-life" organizations like it because it allows them to keep up their fundraising efforts--which allows them to stay employed in a cushy lobbying job without having to produce anything.

This past Sunday, I brought a message to our fellowship entitled "I Formed Thee In The Belly," taken from the first chapter of Jeremiah. Let me ask you: how many pastors across the country even bothered to address the Roe decision this past Sunday? How many bothered to bring a detailed exegesis on what the Bible teaches regarding the right to life, when life begins, and God's laws and principles regarding the killing of unborn children? Come on, be honest. How many of you who attended church last Sunday heard more than a two-minute soundbite about abortion--if even a mention at all?

To watch my message from last Sunday, go here: "[I Formed Thee In The Belly](#)"

I also have a video presentation entitled "The Case For The Life Of The Unborn." And should you order the video, we will also give you a printed copy of President Ronald Reagan's masterful treatise, "Abortion And The Conscious Of The Nation."





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I urge you to share this video with your friends and kinfolk. And don't assume for one minute that your Christian friends and relatives understand the scriptural teaching about abortion. According to recent surveys, some 70% of the women and girls who have abortions identify themselves as Christians; and some 40% of the women and girls who have abortions attend church regularly. What does that tell you? It tells you that pastors are doing a lousy job of teaching their churches the core principles of Biblical Natural Law truth.

I dare suggest that a majority of professing Christians have never heard the material presented in the videos mentioned above. Who knows? These messages might help save a baby's life. If pastors were preaching the truth, the lives of untold numbers of babies could be saved.

In my message last Sunday, I read a letter from a lady who told me that after watching my messages at Liberty Fellowship that explain the Biblical position of abortion, she pleaded with her pregnant daughter to not abort her child after being told that the baby might have Downs Syndrome. The mother was able to help the daughter come to understand the issue, and, thankfully, the daughter made the decision to not abort the baby. Today that child (yes, it has Downs) is home and being raised by a loving mother and grandmother. And both mother and grandmother say the child is "God's perfect gift to us."

You and I both know that the only reason the slaughter of innocents has gone on this long in our country is because the vast majority of pastors and churches are completely silent and apathetic on the subject. Pastors and churches are the nation's moral compass and conscience, and when they are indifferent to a national moral crisis, the nation itself (especially our politicians) remains indifferent.

Culpability for the slaughter of millions of unborn babies lies on the doorstep of the American church and clergy, on the doorstep of the so-called pro-life organizations, and on the doorstep of the Republican Party as much as on the doorsteps of Supreme Court justices and liberal Democrats who openly supported (and continue to support) legalized abortion.

Yes, I know that President Donald Trump issued an Executive Order reinstating the "Mexico City Policy" that denies U.S. taxpayer funds for overseas abortions. I applaud that decision. (I like all of the executive orders I have seen that Trump has issued so far.) However, I will add: if Donald Trump truly wanted to start draining the swamp, he would stop ALL foreign aid--including aid to Israel. In the meantime, I remind you that the reinstatement of the "Mexico City Policy" does NOTHING to stop a single abortion here in the United States.



Just like in the Bush II presidency, the Republican Party will completely control the entire federal government for the next four years. How many of you want to wager that four years from now the Roe decision will be overturned and abortion-on-demand made illegal in this country again?

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The famed French political thinker and historian, Alexis De Tocqueville, said this about our country: "America is great because she is good. If America ceases to be good, America will cease to be great." As long as the U.S. is aborting almost 4,000 unborn babies EVERY DAY, she is NOT good.

I don't care how many walls Donald Trump builds; I don't care how many jobs Donald Trump brings back; I don't care how many wars Donald Trump fights on behalf of Benjamin Netanyahu. As long as America continues to legally sanction the wanton killing of unborn babies, God's judgment against this country will continue.

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