



# NEWSLETTER

THE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF THE OHIO RIGHT TO LIFE SOCIETY

FALL 2015



## NOT FOR SALE

HOW THE PLANNED PARENTHOOD VIDEO SCANDAL  
IS CHANGING THE ABORTION DEBATE IN  
OHIO AND ACROSS THE COUNTRY

## HOW THE PLANNED PARENTHOOD VIDEO SCANDAL IS CHANGING THE ABORTION DEBATE

Planned Parenthood has outed themselves. In mid-July, the Center for Medical Progress, a group of pro-life investigative journalists, began releasing undercover videos of Planned Parenthood executives negotiating the sale of aborted babies' body parts. Ever since, the abortion giant has been playing public relations defense as they try to once again hide the ugly truth from the horrified public eye.

But this is one scandal that might be too big for the abortion corporation. Planned Parenthood is on the record discussing their victims as something much more than "tissue" or "clumps of cells." Their executives are bartering their organs--their "hearts," "livers," and "lungs." Planned Parenthood staff shout "It's another boy!" or "It was a twin" as they sift through these babies' remains. It's gruesome, but these are Planned Parenthood's words. This is abortion; this is Planned Parenthood.

At our office in Downtown Columbus, things are moving faster than ever before. The video scandal has given new life to the national pro-life movement, in the media, the legislature, and the public square.

Just a couple of weeks ago, Ohio Right to Life joined Greater Columbus Right to Life to host a rally against Planned Parenthood. We had an incredible line-up of speakers, including: **Lieutenant Governor Mary Taylor, State Auditor Dave Yost, Secretary of State Jon Husted, Ohio Senate President Keith Faber, and State Representative Bill Patmon.**

At the rally, Representative Patmon, a pro-life Democrat from Cleveland, announced that he and Representative Margaret Conditt (R-Liberty Township) are sponsoring Ohio Right to Life's legislation to de-fund Planned Parenthood! His inspirational speech has now been featured on multiple Fox News programs and in numerous online media outlets. Ohio Right to Life is very blessed to call him and the rest of Ohio's pro-life leaders our friends.

At the time of this newsletter's publication, six undercover videos of Planned Parenthood have been released. As time wears on and more videos surface, we ask that you help us keep Planned Parenthood's abominations in the spotlight. We have a real chance to strip the abortion industry of its taxpayer funding--a move that could undo Planned Parenthood as we know it. Keep the heat on

Planned Parenthood for the sake of the unborn. Speak the truth with love and compassion for the sake of the women who may be reliving the horrors of their own abortions. And join us in calling for the immediate investigation and de-funding of Planned Parenthood.

You can sign Ohio Right to Life's Petition to De-Fund Planned Parenthood at [www.ohiolife.org/Petition\\_to\\_De\\_Fund\\_Planned\\_Parenthood](http://www.ohiolife.org/Petition_to_De_Fund_Planned_Parenthood).



## HEARD AT THE PRO-LIFE RALLY IN COLUMBUS, OHIO



THERE'S NOTHING MORE HEARTWARMING THAN TO KNOW YOUR UNBORN CHILD IS SAFE, IS PROTECTED AND HAS EVERY CHANCE OF ENJOYING THE GREAT LIFE THAT GOD INTENDED FOR THAT CHILD.

OHIO LT. GOVERNOR MARY TAYLOR



THIS IS A TIME FOR US TO GET PAST THE DIVISIVE POLITICS OF ABORTION.

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE WARRANTS RE-THINKING. IT WARRANTS ALL OF US COMING TOGETHER TO END THIS PRACTICE.

OHIO STATE AUDITOR DAVE YOST



LEADERS ARE SUPPOSE TO PROTECT THE INNOCENT

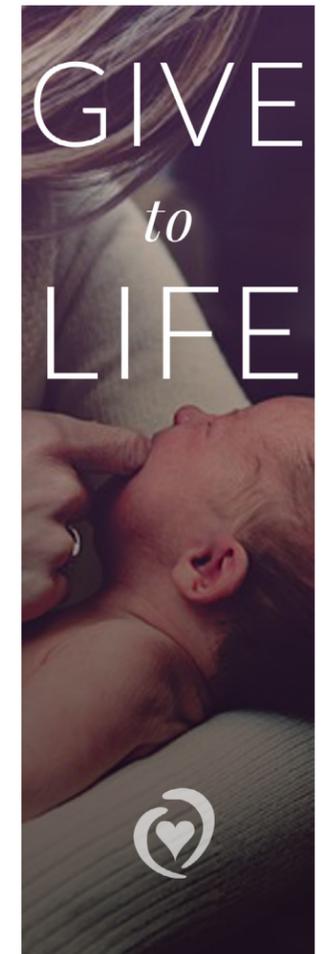
NOT PERSECUTE THEIR LIBERATORS.

SECRETARY OF STATE JON HUSTED



I JOIN MILLIONS OF VOICES BOTH HERE AND ACROSS THE NATION CALLING FOR A FULL INVESTIGATION OF THEIR ACTIVITIES AND FOR PUBLICLY DEFUNDING PLANNED PARENTHOOD

OHIO SENATE PRESIDENT KEITH FABER



### Memorial and Honorarium Donations

#### In Honor of... Made by

**Margie Homan**  
Mercer County Right to Life

**Stan Kremer**  
Mercer County Right to Life

Patricia W. Swaddling

**Cletus Wenning**  
Mercer County Right to Life

**Vita Lamora**  
Lisa Johnson

**Margaret Mitchell**  
Mr. & Mrs. Rex Ballinger  
Mr. & Mrs. David B. Brubaker

**Nancy Lee Roberts**  
Elizabeth Palmer-Spilker

**Gene & Catherine Wetzel**  
Mr. & Mrs. Philip D. Wetzel

**Sarah Kissel**  
Carlee Bongiorno

**James Daniel**  
DSWINC  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Greer

**James Sutphin**  
Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Hoynes  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Clendenning  
Ms. Doris M. Caldart

**Jack Willke**  
Mrs. Diane Cordial

**Msgr. James Kolp**  
Donald L. Feicht

Tammy Lamb  
Gordon S. Lohr  
Angela Scali

**Mary Watt**  
Mr. & Mrs. Scott Thayer

**Helen Zanetich**  
Mr. Peter Zanetich

## PAIN-CAPABLE AND DOWN SYNDROME ABORTION BANS ADVANCE THROUGH THE OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Before the Planned Parenthood scandal, Ohio Right to Life achieved two major victories at the Ohio Statehouse. Throughout the spring and into the summer, Senate and House committees heard testimony on two initiatives from our exciting legislative agenda: the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act and the Down Syndrome Non-Discrimination Act. Ohio Right to Life affiliate leaders from Mercer County Right to Life and Right to Life of Northeast Ohio testified on Pain-Capable and witnessed the Senate pass the legislation later that day!

Additionally, the House Committee on Community and Family Advancement passed our Down Syndrome Non-Discrimination Act in June. We were fortunate to have the voices of Dr. Dennis Sullivan and Dr. Ashley K. Fernandes (Board Trustee of Ohio Right to Life) testify in favor of the legislation, offering sound bioethical arguments in defense of the unborn. We look forward to advocating for the passage of these pro-life laws this Fall!



Advocates from across Ohio joined us to promote the right to life at the Ohio Statehouse this spring and summer.

## GOV. JOHN KASICH SIGNS PRO-LIFE BUDGET INCLUDING FUNDING FOR LIFE-AFFIRMING PREGNANCY CENTERS

At Ohio Right to Life's Legislative Day 2015, leaders from pregnancy centers and Ohio Right to Life affiliates across the state joined us in Columbus to advocate for funding for ORTL's Pregnancy and Parenting Support Program. On July 1, Gov. John Kasich signed this program into law as part of the 2016-2017 State Budget. This funding is an expansion of the pilot program started in 2013 and offers an additional \$500,000 to pregnancy centers, a total of \$1 million to advance their life-affirming efforts!

Ohio Right to Life thanks Governor Kasich, the Ohio General Assembly, Heartbeat International, and the affiliates of Ohio Right to Life for making this program possible.



Secretary of State Husted speaks at Ohio Right to Life's Legislative Day to promote the Pregnancy and Parenting Support Program.



## THE NEW OHIOLIFE.ORG: INTRODUCING OUR NEW WEBSITE!

We have an exciting announcement! For several months, our team's been hard at work on bringing you a brand new website that streamlines information into actionable items so that you and Ohio Right to Life can save more lives together!

You may have already stopped by ohiolife.org and noticed our beautiful new look. For those who haven't, go check it out!

What you'll find when you enter the site is a modern, streamlined, user-friendly website that revolves around activating a grassroots base to take action for our cause.

Just like with our previous website, we want to keep you up to speed on the latest pro-life news and legislative alerts. We want you to have ease of access so that you can save lives NOW and help us make history.

You'll quickly see that there is an action item for every visitor on our website.

Give our website a tour and take action NOW to help save more lives in 2015. You won't regret it.

