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LICL e-blast - serving Nassau/Suffolk pro-life advocates. LICL e-blast is additional information to Life News.

Dear Defenders of Life:

"Is it a time for you yourselves to be living in your paneled houses, while this house remains in ruins?" Haggai 1:4

As you know, on 1/22/19, to chants of "free abortion on demand, we can do it, yes we can," in NYS, Democrats passed the Reproductive Health Act, first proposed a dozen years ago. To 'celebrate', two bridges, the AI Smith building in Albany, and the top of 1 World Trade Center were lit up in pink. At the base of 1 WTC, eleven unborn babies, killed with their mothers, are memorialized with the others who fell on 9/11. The bill appears to restrict late-term abortions but contains a broad 'health' exception after 24 weeks. NYS Right to Life stated that this exception allows women to abort preborn children up to nine months of pregnancy for "age, economic, social and emotional factors, rather than" what we'd normally think of as 'health'. But this exception stems from the 1973 Doe v Bolton SCOTUS decision, where we get this very broad definition of the health reason, which trumped the 1970 NY State 24-week ban. Contrary to what an under-informed public believes, abortions in NY (and the US) happen up to birth, now. This NY legislation does go beyond Roe v. Wade, in some cases. Non-doctors can now perform abortions.

Latest statistics from the Alan Guthmacher Institute (research arm of Planned Parenthood): 1.2% or 12,000 late-term abortions were committed in the US. Of that number, 2,000 of those abortions were committed in NYS.

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

FEBRUARY EVENTS:

Saturday, February 23, 2019 has been declared a National Day of Mourning. There will be a peaceful presence at two locations on Long Island that we are aware of from 1 PM - 3 PM. Bring your own signs.

Nassau County

500 Old Country Rd., Garden City - South side of street, just west of Glen Cove Rd. Suffolk County

Lee Dennison Building, Veterans Highway, Hauppauge

MARCH EVENTS:

40 Days for Life Spring Campaign March 6 - April 14, 2019

Daily vigil in front of Planned Parenthood:

- 540 Hempstead Ave.-Mass 3/9, 9 AM, St. Ladislaus, 18 Richardson PI, Hempstead Contact: <u>Hempstead.40days@aol.com</u>
- 70 Maple Ave., Smithtown Contact: <u>40DFLsmithtown@gmail.com</u>

• 877 E. Main St., Riverhead Contact: Pastor Joni 631-681-7275; <u>march4lifeNY@gmail.com</u> Bring your own signs.

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Good Friday Silent Vigil On Behalf of Unborn April 19 10:30 AM-Noon (rain or shine) in front of Nassau University Medical Center (2201 Hempstead Tpke., E. Meadow on the public sidewalk).

Many pro-lifers ask themselves how could a bill as extreme as NYS's Reproductive Health Act come to fruition. Sadly, it isn't that hard to understand. During two generations, the act of abortion has become little more than a word. For the uninformed masses, abortion is just another procedure that women go through when they have to. It's legal, so it must be safe (few stories surface about injured women). Yet how many abortion advocates and those 'neutral' on the subject have seen what an abortion looks like? Pro-lifers are the ones who must open the eyes of the uneducated. Out of sight - out of mind. We must let sunshine into the darkness of denial. Pro-life women, men and children are invited to take part in this peaceful, lawful Face the Truth event for the protection of life in the womb and against abortions committed at NUMC and throughout Long Island. We stand as a reminder that abortion is not healthcare. Signs provided (east end of hospital).

Sponsored by Long Island Coalition of Life: 631-243-1435; info@prolifeLl.org.

Holy Saturday Annual Liturgy for the Pre-Born

April 20 10 AM in front of Planned Parenthood, 540 Fulton Ave., (Rt. 24), Hempstead Sponsored by Cathedral Church of the Intercessor 516-599-3780 <u>seekfirst@verizon.net</u> PRAYER CHANGES HEARTS!

March 29 - "Unplanned" the movie about Abby Johnson's departure from Planned Parenthood will be released. Please check your local listings for a location and time!

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

The Senate has yet to call for a vote on the Born-Alive Infant Protection Act. Senator Ben Sasse was exactly right; when calling for a vote he said:

"One hundred United States Senators are going to have an opportunity to unanimously say the most basic imaginable, and that is that it is wrong to kill a little newborn baby."

Tell your Senators that you want a recorded vote on the Born-Alive Infant Protection Act so that the American people will know exactly where our elected officials stand on protecting the lives of newborn babies.

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