

GUIDELINES FOR PRO-LIFE PARTICIPATION AND STATEMENT OF PEACE

For Long Island Coalition for Life officers and members, and for all participants in events sponsored by the Long Island Coalition for Life

All public witnessing (e.g. praying, sidewalk counseling, rallies) MUST BE PEACEFUL. This is legal nonviolent direct action.

Public pro-life outreach is a statement on behalf of all of the victims of abortion.

Your presence at an abortion “clinic” or abortionist’s office or your participation in a public awareness event is an important affirmation of LIFE, exercise of your Constitutional right to free speech and assembly, and a witness against the tragedy of abortion. Therefore, by your participation, you agree to the following:

- I will only pursue peaceful/nonviolent and legal solutions to bring an end to the violence of abortion and to help those facing an abortion decision
- I understand that acting in a violent or harmful manner immediately and completely disassociates me from the Long Island Coalition for Life and its campaigns
- I will show compassion and reflect Christ’s love

Babies are dying at the hands of abortionists and their staff. Treat the site appropriately. Eating, drinking, loud talking and laughter are out of place.

- > Stay on sidewalks (public property).
 - > Do not go on the facility’s property or parking lot or vandalize property.
 - > Do not block/impede access of cars to driveways or pedestrians to doors or along sidewalks.
 - > Do not threaten, physically contact, verbally abuse, harass or shadow (follow continuously and closely) anyone (e.g. abortion facility employees, volunteers, or customers; pedestrians; motor vehicle passengers; law officers).
- Stay with a partner and carry a camera and cell phone
 - Hold signs so they don’t blow away; Face signs toward vehicle/pedestrian traffic
 - Carry a pro-life pamphlet with pro-life assistance contact info
 - Praying, singing, and Scripture reading should be done without disturbing other pro-lifers who aren’t joining your group
 - Do Not Shout – at clients, workers, residents, drivers, police, etc.
 - Do not litter
 - Closely attend children you bring to the event
 - Respond to hecklers gently or not at all. Leave them with a positive life-affirming comment

Your prolife witness is seen by those contemplating abortion, those who know or will know someone with an untimely pregnancy, and those hurt by a past abortion decision. It is difficult to assess the “success” of this type of pro-life effort, but it is critical and effective in keeping the plight of the unborn on the public conscience. You are the face of the unborn