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Election '08: NPLA Members Help Pro-Lifers Weather Storm

Number of Cosponsors of Life at Conception Act Expected to Increase

While it is common knowledge that, in the last election, pro-abortion politicians Barack Obama, Nancy Pelosi, and Harry Reid tightened their control over the levers of power in Congress, the untold story is that, despite these setbacks, the pro-life movement in large part weathered the storm very well.

The fact is that pro-life support in both houses of Congress is at record or near record levels. While many new Members of Congress were swept into office on economic issues, the vast majority of new members are either pro-life or danced around the issue in their campaigns.

Martin Fox, President of the National Pro-Life Alliance, credits pro-lifers' resilience in large part to the activism of

National Pro-Life Alliance members and other pro-lifers.

According to Fox, "members' activism on multiple fronts changed the course of dozens of tight races."

NPLA Members Fund Crucial Nationwide Grass-roots Campaign

For starters, the National Pro-Life Alliance's Candidate Survey Program highlighted candidates' positions on key pro-life legislative initiatives.

The Alliance surveyed every candidate for Congress in both the primary and general elections.

NPLA members nationwide used these

candidate responses to flood their candidates with mail encouraging them to take a 100% pro-life stand on the Pro-Life Candidate Survey at the time when lobbying is perhaps most effective -- while candidates are out looking for support.

The Pro-Life Alliance then mailed the candidates' survey responses to more than three-quarters of a million NPLA members and other identified pro-lifers nationwide in the days leading up to the elections.

And thanks to generous contributions from NPLA members across the country, the National Pro-Life Alliance Political Action Committee (NPLA-PAC) was able

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Michele Bachmann (R-MN)



Tom McClintock (R-CA)



Blaine Luetkemeyer (R-MO)

National Pro-Life Alliance members provided financial support through the National Pro-Life Alliance Political Action Committee (NPLA-PAC) to numerous pro-life champions facing challenges from pro-abortion opponents. The grass-roots network mobilized by the Alliance's national Candidate Survey Program proved helpful to many pro-life heroes nationwide.

NPLA-PAC Again Tops Record in Contributions to Pro-Life Champions

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to help pro-life champions with critical direct financial support as well as independent expenditure campaigns in their Congressional bids.

Top-Ranked NPLA-PAC Outperforms Highly-Funded Pro-Abortion PACs

NPLA-PAC provided direct financial support to 112 pro-life candidates for Congress in the 2008 election season.

In the end, NPLA-PAC's win percentage was higher than that of both EMILY's List and NARAL.

National Pro-Life Alliance President Martin Fox publicly thanked members for their enormous generosity in support of embattled pro-life champions in Congress.

In each of the prior two election cycles, following its formation, NPLA-PAC was the largest pro-life PAC in the nation in direct contributions to candidates.

Again this year, NPLA members helped their PAC top their own prior record of giving, contributing nearly a quarter of a million dollars to pro-life can-

didates and PACs.

The National Pro-Life Alliance's mass mailings, combined with NPLA member activism, even helped elevate new pro-life votes to Congress in states like Ohio, Florida, and Texas.

The grass-roots activism and financial contributions of NPLA members made the difference in key target races where Life at Conception Act cosponsors faced tough races that were decided by very thin margins.

NPLA Members Play Key Role in Close Election Margins

For example, NPLA-PAC's direct financial support played an important role in the 2,000-vote victory of Congressman Tom McClintock (R-CA) and the 5 percent margin of victory in Congressman Brett Guthrie's (R-KY) election bid.

With financial and grass-roots support from NPLA members, Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer (R-MO) pulled out a narrow 2.5% victory.

And the support and activism of NPLA members was crucial in defending pro-life champion Michele Bachmann (R-MN) in her narrow 3 point victory over her pro-abortion opponent Elwyn Tinklenberg.

All of these candidates were early cosponsors of the Life at Conception Act in the 110th Congress.

Pro-Life Voters Help Turn Mississippi Senate Race from Squeaker into Rout

When campaign debate over the protection of the unborn was buried by voters' economic concerns, some pro-life champions like Senator Roger Wicker (R-MS) experienced problems in the polls.

Wicker was a high-profile target for the abortion lobby because of his long-time leadership for the protection of the unborn.

But despite the well-funded efforts of the abortion lobby, NPLA flooded voters in this strong pro-life state with more than

100,000 letters and candidate survey rosters warning Mississippi pro-lifers of the differences in the two candidates' commitment to the protection of the unborn.

In the end, Senator Wicker pulled ahead and ended up winning by a comfortable margin of over 120,000 votes.

This proved to be a nationwide trend, as every single cosponsor of the Life at Conception Act in the United States Senate up for re-election in 2008 was sent back to Congress by voters, a true testament to the success of National Pro-Life Alliance members' lobbying efforts and financial support.

Besides NPLA-PAC's direct financial support, National Pro-Life Alliance members financed extensive mailings to pro-lifers; the mailings used the results of the 2008 Pro-Life Candidate Survey and candidate voting records to highlight the stark differences between the candidates and their pro-abortion opponents.

The effort also included TV spots that ran in states with hotly contested races, and informative phone calls to pro-lifers nationally.

All told, the support of National Pro-Life Alliance members made possible a national campaign of more than one million letters, 600 TV spots, nearly two million total phone calls, and a nationwide grass-roots campaign that attracted media coverage from NPR.

Successful Democrat Candidates Rejected Party's Pro-Abortion Platform

While Democrats capitalized on public anxiety surrounding the so-called "financial crisis," they generally either avoided their party's pro-abortion-on-demand platform or claimed to be pro-life.

In state after state, Democrat candidates for Congress claimed to embrace pro-life platforms, having apparently

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As the prime sponsor of the Life at Conception Act, Senator Roger Wicker (R-MS) enjoys huge popularity among pro-lifers. A predicted squeaker election turned into a rout thanks to the activism of pro-lifers and NPLA members in Mississippi.

Pro-Life Alliance Will Hold Politicians to Promises

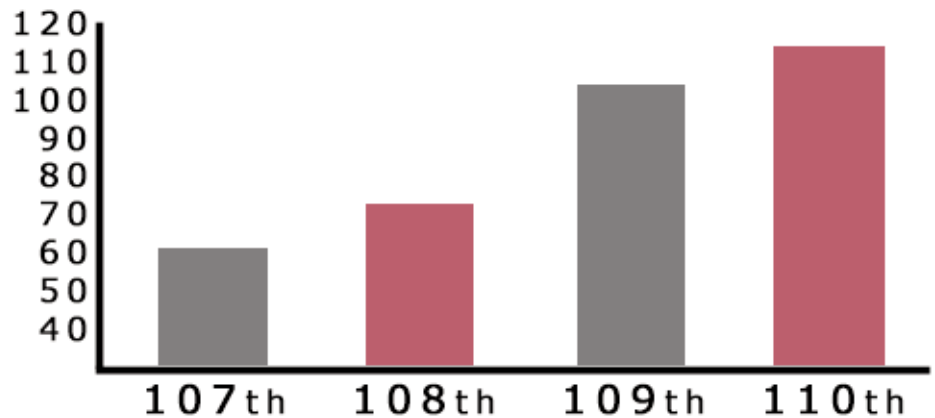
Support for Life at Conception Act True Measure of Pro-Life Commitment

As the 111th Congress convenes, National Pro-Life Alliance members and staff are gearing up for the next round in the fight to secure protection for the unborn.

While pro-abortion forces still control key leadership positions in Congress, what is much less known is that the majority of the incoming Democrats either ran on pro-life platforms or ran away from the issue in their successful bids to unseat their Republican opponents.

NPLA Executive Director Urges Maximum Pressure on New Congress

With so many newly elected politicians in play on pro-life issues, National Pro-Life Alliance Executive Director Mary King is urging members to redouble their pressure on their Congressmen and Senators to stand up to the pro-abortion leadership in Con-



The leadership and grass-roots pressure mobilized by National Pro-Life Alliance members has increased the number of cosponsors of the Life at Conception Act in each of the past four Congresses.

gress by supporting real pro-life protections such as a Life at Conception Act which would legislatively overturn *Roe v. Wade*.

According to King, “support for a Life at

Conception Act is the true measure of a politician’s commitment to protect the

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National Pro Life Alliance’s Candidate Survey Program Mobilized Grass-Roots Support for Pro-Life Champions

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learned a valuable lesson from the previous four elections in which candidates running on the party’s radical support for abortion were soundly defeated by pro-life Republicans.

Perhaps the most visible example of this trend occurred in Ohio’s 1st Congressional District, where Democrat Steve Driehaus assiduously avoided any association with his party’s pro-abortion platform.

With so many politicians of both parties who have no record on the Life at Conception Act, it is vitally important for NPLA members to press forward on a Life at Conception Act in the next Congress.

And it is equally important to urge the Republican leadership to press for real action. For example, Minority Leader John Boehner, has repeatedly returned the National Pro-Life Alliance’s survey, pledging his support for the Life at Conception Act, but has never actually cosponsored the bill.

Despite Democrat Control, Pro-Life Forces Continue to Grow

After the smoke cleared following the 2008 General Election, there are still over 150 members of Congress who have either cosponsored the Life at Conception Act in prior sessions of Congress, or have promised to do so.

Add to that another 60-plus incumbents with pro-life voting records, and it is clear that pro-lifers have plenty to build on in the upcoming session of Congress.

“While hostile pro-abortion leadership in Congress presents pro-lifers with challenges in advancing pro-life legislation, it’s more important than ever to continue the fight for the unborn,” says Fox.

“Incoming politicians from both parties who claim to be pro-life must live up to their campaign promises and enact meaningful pro-life legislation.

“With votes on judicial nominees as well as likely votes on taxpayer-funded abortion in the days ahead, NPLA members must send a clear message to these politicians that there is a heavy political price to pay if they betray the unborn.”

NPLA President Urges Members to Hold Politicians to Pro-Life Campaign Promises

The fact that many newly elected politicians rejected the Democrat party’s platform of abortion-on-demand shows that they are aware of the persuasive power possessed by pro-life forces.

Martin Fox urged pro-lifers to “remind the politicians of this fact in no uncertain terms by demanding that they follow through with the promises they made on the campaign trail.”



NPLA Members Recruit Record 113 Cosponsors for Life at Conception Act

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unborn.”

Mary King is clear in her assessment that the outcome of the last elections were by no means a pro-abortion mandate.

“Quite the opposite. Democrats traditionally have toed the abortion-on-demand party line in election after election and have suffered repeated losses.

“But in the last two elections, it looks like they finally took note that the radical pro-abortion-on-demand platform adopted by the National Democratic Party is a huge liability among the vast majority of voters,” explained King.

Life at Conception Act Remains Most Promising Way to Defeat Roe

“Now that some politicians are saying the ‘right things’ in order to win elections, the task at hand for pro-lifers is to hold them accountable or throw them out of office next election cycle.”

No legislation would go farther to defend the unborn than a Life at Conception Act,

which aims to end all abortion-on-demand.

As National Pro-Life Alliance members are well aware, a Life at Conception Act would overturn *Roe v. Wade* by legislatively declaring that life begins at the moment of conception and is therefore entitled to equal protection under the law.

Ironically, a Life at Conception Act would use *Roe v. Wade*’s own language against itself to protect the unborn from the moment of conception.

The Supreme Court itself admitted in *Roe*:

“If this suggestion of personhood is established, the appellant’s case [i.e. “Roe” who sought the abortion], of course, collapses, for the fetus’ right to life is then guaranteed specifically by the [14th] Amendment.”

Pro-Life Alliance Members Use Life at Conception Act to Stay on Offense Against Abortion Lobby

Since a Life at Conception Act uses the 14th Amendment right to life already in the Constitution to overturn *Roe* and requires a mere majority vote in Congress rather than the two-thirds vote plus state ratification required to amend the Constitution, it remains the best legislative weapon available to pro-lifers to finally end abortion-on-demand.

And since a pro-life, anti-Roe majority on the Supreme Court remains out of reach even if the Court’s newest members -- Judge Alito and Chief Justice Roberts -- would vote to overturn *Roe* as hoped, passage of a Life at Conception Act remains the most feasible means

available to overturn *Roe v. Wade*.

Indeed, newly-elected President Obama is almost certain to nominate pro-abortion Supreme Court justices, if given the opportunity, making a legislative Life at Conception Act that much more valuable.

The National Pro-Life Alliance’s campaign to pass a Life at Conception Act has been a calculated process involving massive grass-roots activism from members and pro-lifers nationwide to alter the political landscape in Congress and finally bring an end to the court-ordered slaughter of the unborn.

In the 109th Congress, the lobbying efforts of National Pro-Life Alliance members and other pro-lifers across the country were able to recruit an all-time record 113 cosponsors for Congressman Duncan Hunter’s Life at Conception Act (H.R. 618).

In addition to record numbers in the House of Representatives, U.S. Senator Roger Wicker (R-MS) introduced the Life at Conception Act on the floor of the Senate and secured a record 12 Senate cosponsors.

National Pro-Life Alliance Members Demand More than Election Year Lip Service from Elected Officials

“Member pressure has been crucial in creating record support in the House for bringing an end to abortion-on-demand. Pro-lifers must step up pressure and demand true pro-life leadership,” declared King.

“It’s time for all of the new members of Congress who rode to Washington on a pro-life message to show their commitment to the unborn by supporting a Life at Conception Act in this new session of Congress.

“Pro-lifers must make it clear that mere lip service is not enough as babies continue to be slaughtered by the millions in the name of ‘choice’ while Congress does nothing.”

Since the Life at Conception Act will have to be reintroduced for consideration in this new Congress, members should contact their Representative and Senators and insist they cosponsor a Life at Conception Act in the 111th Congress.



Pro-abortion groups know that women who have had an abortion are less likely to be pro-life. Thus they seek to overturn every regulation on abortion via the so-called “Freedom of Choice Act.”



Abortion Lobby Hopes to Pass “Freedom of Choice Act,” Overturn Partial-Birth Abortion Ban

NPLA Members Will Make Politicians Pay the Price for Any Attempt

As the 111th Congress begins, the abortion lobby is hoping to parlay their support from pro-abortion allies Barack Obama and the Congressional leadership into passage of the so-called “Freedom of Choice Act” (FOCA) – the Holy Grail of the abortion movement.

The bill is so pro-abortion that it would even repeal the overwhelmingly popular Partial-Birth Abortion Ban -- passed with the support of NPLA Members and other pro-lifers in 2003 -- which banned the barbaric procedure in which an unborn child’s brain is sucked out to facilitate removal from the mother.

Yet if the abortion lobby has its way and the Congressional leadership forces votes on their bill, it is virtually certain that they will not only lose the vote in both houses of Congress, but also lose a host of pro-abortion Congressmen and Senators in the next election.

“Freedom of Choice Act” Is the Most Radical Social Legislation in Decades

This deceptively named bill has nothing to do with choice, but rather seeks to strip every last restraint on abortion-on-demand as the only option. For starters, it outlaws states’ requirements for parental involvement before an abortion on a minor girl, waiting periods, and informed consent.

It would annul the most basic health and safety regulations on abortion clinics and abortionists.

FOCA would even repeal federal and state bans on partial-birth abortion.

Should it ever get to the President’s desk, it would nullify every one of the 330 or so federal, state and local abortion laws on the books, most of them supported by a majority of Americans.

And that’s just the start. The law would also compel taxpayers to fund abortions and provide abortions in military hospitals, something that the abortion lobby has repeatedly attempted and failed to achieve.

Especially odious to people of faith is that it would force religious hospitals and

health-care institutions to perform abortions in violation of their convictions.

Obama Has Ignored Popular Opinion to Support Abortion-on-Demand

The incoming president has announced that he is all for this draconian bill. In the Senate, no one held more extreme views on abortion. Abortion providers and pro-abortion lobby groups have given him a 100 percent rating for every year he has held public office.

When he began his White House run, back on July 7, 2007, he told a cheering conference of abortion providers, “The first thing I’d do as president is sign the Freedom of Choice Act.”

In addition to President Obama, the bill’s list of supporters include a virtual who’s who of the radical abortion movement including House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, Senator Ted Kennedy, Senator Dianne Feinstein, and Senator Hillary Clinton.

Thus, with such high-profile support from both the White House and leaders of Congress, an all-out grass roots lobbying effort by pro-lifers will be essential if and when the bill actually comes up for a vote.

Abortion Lobby’s Overreaching Will Backfire on Pro-Abortion Politicians

Yet as bad as this bill is, NPLA President Martin Fox points out that it is precisely this overreaching by the abortion lobby that will almost surely result in its defeat should it be brought up for a vote.

After all, the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban passed by nearly two-thirds majori-



Partial-birth abortionist George Tiller, seen here in his police photo shot following his arrest on 19 criminal counts related to his abortion practice, would again exercise his grisly trade nationwide if the so-called “Freedom of Choice Act” were ever to pass.

ties in both Houses of Congress. And opinion polls continue to show that the Ban enjoys popular support from more than 80 percent of the people.

“Thus the abortionists are setting themselves up for a stinging defeat,” says Martin Fox.

The fact is, most new Members of Congress who were elected on economic issues are either pro-life or terrified of the political fallout that comes from being pro-abortion.

“So, by forcing a vote on this radical pro-abortion legislation, the politicians will be forced to either vote against the bill or to face angry pro-life voters when they are up for reelection.”

Fox encouraged NPLA members saying “Pro-lifers should be heartened by the fact that we’re now in probably as strong a position as we’ve ever been.

“If the National Abortion Rights Action League, Planned Parenthood, and EMILY’s List want to force a vote, I only have to say to them ‘bring it on!’ I know that all pro-lifers across the country will rise up to see to it that this monstrous power grab is defeated.”



NPLA Launches Life at Conception Act in New Congress

Members to Double Pressure on Uncommitted Politicians to End the Slaughter

Given the Life at Conception Act's undeniably effective approach to ending abortion-on-demand, support for the bill has reached new records in each of the last four sessions of Congress. (see chart on page 3)

And, although the abortion lobby would like to deny it, by cranking up the grass-roots pressure by members of the National Pro-Life Alliance nationwide, the Life at Conception Act is likely to reach yet another record in the new, 111th Congress.

The pro-abortion lobby may be ecstatic over the election of radical pro-abortion President Barack Obama.

But the switch in the White House was not accompanied by any similar marked change in the pro-life composition of the new Congress.

Life at Conception Act Poised to Achieve New Record Support

In fact, a vote count by the National Pro-Life Alliance's Legislative Director, Benjamin Carnes, shows otherwise.

"Adding the number of Congressmen

who have cosponsored the Life at Conception Act in past sessions to those who pledged support on the Pro-Life Alliance Candidate Survey would result in more cosponsors than the record reached in the past Congress," says Carnes.

Furthermore, "with sufficient pressure from NPLA members, a new record level of support can also be achieved in the United States Senate, where all of the bill's cosponsors who were up for reelection were returned to Congress by voters this past November."

Congressman Franks and Senator Wicker to Introduce Life at Conception Act in New Congress

The National Pro-Life Alliance recently received confirmation from pro-life champion -- Congressman Trent Franks (R-AZ) -- that he will introduce the Life at Conception Act in the House.

Franks has a twenty year history of leadership fighting for the full protection of the unborn and a 100% pro-life voting record since he was elected to Congress in 2002.

Franks assumes the leadership of long-time Life at Conception Act sponsor Duncan Hunter (R-CA) who retired from Congress this past year.

And Senator Roger Wicker (R-MS) will again introduce the Senate version of the Life at Conception Act.

Before ascend-



Congressman Trent Franks (R-AZ) will serve as the Life at Conception Act's primary sponsor in the House of Representatives.

ing to the United States Senate, Wicker was a frequent floor leader in House fights to end taxpayer funding of abortion providers. As a State Senator he authored a successful bill to strengthen Mississippi's parental involvement requirements.

Since all bills must be reintroduced for consideration in each new Congress, Carnes urges National Pro-Life Alliance members to return the petitions for the Life at Conception Act accompanying this issue of LifeLine.

"Entering each Congressman's office with mountains of petitions from constituents will be a far more powerful motivation for politicians to cosponsor the Life at Conception Act than anything National Pro-Life Alliance staff or I can say," says Carnes.

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WHY ROE V. WADE IS CALLED A "LANDMARK" DECISION...



Roe v. Wade is the legal foundation for the slaughter of 1.5 million unborn infants every year. By defining when human life begins, the Life at Conception Act attacks the very roots of abortion-on-demand.



Obama Presidency Requires Pro-Life Activism

President Obama Will Likely Promote Pro-Abortion Agenda As Top Priority

Pro-lifers recently witnessed the election of a radically pro-abortion President of the United States. But Barack Obama was swept in on a wave of discontentment surrounding the state of the economy and other issues completely unrelated to the Sanctity of Life.

Still, pro-lifers will have many new challenges to confront in the coming year, since NARAL, Planned Parenthood, and the rest of the pro-abortion crowd will do all they can to make promoting abortion-on-demand a top priority.

Thus, over the next four years, National Pro-Life Alliance members will have to gear up to fight any and all plans to divert tax dollars to Mr. Obama's abortionist buddies, pack the courts with activist, pro-abortion judges, and use executive orders to overturn popular policies that protect the innocent unborn.

Pro-Abortion Executive Orders Likely Among First Goals of New Administration

Early on, following the 2008 election, John Podesta, Obama's transition chief, admitted that many of President George W. Bush's executive orders would be targeted to be overturned.

Among those previously established executive orders that are being discussed as top targets are the so-called "Mexico City Policy" and the President's limitations on federal funding of life-destroying research on the unborn.

The "Mexico City Policy," a widely popular initiative, mandates that taxpayer dollars distributed in the form of foreign aid via the State Department cannot be used to fund organizations that promote or provide abortions.

The policy was originally adopted by President Ronald Reagan in 1984, before being overturned by Bill Clinton and reinstated by George W. Bush.

Mary King, Executive Director of the National Pro-Life Alliance, says "Pro-Life Alliance members must be prepared to fight to legislatively prohibit the White

House from channeling money to abortionists in the guise of foreign aid, at the moment appropriations are requested of Congress."

NPLA to Fight in Congress to Keep Tax Dollars From Flowing to Abortionists

There is little question that Obama will also look to advance his abortion-on-demand agenda with domestic taxpayer dollars.

The best means of stopping him from doing so is enacting something like a beefed up Hyde Amendment from the 1970's, which prevents the President from using taxpayer dollars to fund groups that promote and perform abortions.

Executive Director Mary King vows that NPLA members will fight tooth and nail to apply the same restriction to every single appropriation that Obama requests of Congress.

King added, "Repeatedly in the past, NPLA members have fought and won battles against taxpayer funding for abortion, and they will do so again."

But it has always required massive pressure on Members of Congress from NPLA members and other pro-lifers.

Obama's White House Appointees Mean New Fights Against Abortion-on-Demand

With pro-life support in Congress remaining so strong, King believes it is entirely possible to stop Obama's pro-abortion initiatives in Congress.

But NPLA members will have to ratchet up the public pressure since they will not only be battling congressional leadership, but also Barack Obama's

White House staff, including:

- Hillary Clinton, who, as Secretary of State, will oversee billions of tax dollars in foreign aid.
- Melody Barnes, former counsel for Senator Ted Kennedy, operative with abortion provider, Planned Parenthood, and board member of the pro-abortion PAC, EMILY's List, will serve as director of Obama's Domestic Policy Council.



Obama pledged to a cheering group of abortion providers that his first goal in promoting abortion would be to sign the so-called "Freedom of Choice Act" into law.

- Ellen Moran, former executive director of the rabidly pro-abortion EMILY's List, will be the White House's Communications Director.
- Tom Daschle, U.S. Senator who twice led the floor fight against the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban, will dole out billions of tax dollars as Obama's Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Yet even Daschle should know that promoting abortion comes at a political price, as he himself was a victim. When NPLA members and other pro-lifers paid for ads exposing his radical pro-abortion Senate leadership, Daschle ended up losing his seat to Republican John Thune, thus also losing his position as Senate

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Pro-Lifers Prepared to Oppose Pro-Abortion Judicial Nominees

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Barack Obama's radically pro-abortion views are concerning to pro-lifers, but National Pro-Life Alliance members have successfully defended the unborn in past elections. With support in Congress still at record levels, pro-lifers can stop Obama's excesses through grass-roots pressure.

Majority Leader.

NPLA Members Prepare for Battle for the Supreme Court

And then there are major concerns over Obama's view of the role of the judiciary.

The fact is most political observers predict that Obama will have at least one chance to make a dent on the Supreme Court. The oldest Supreme Court justices, John Paul Stevens and Ruth Bader Ginsburg, are 88 and 75, respectively.

Obama has made it clear that his

Supreme Court justice nominee would have to share his belief that the U.S. Constitution contains an unequivocal right to abortion-on-demand.

In an interview with NBC News, Obama blatantly admitted his plans to pack the federal courts with judges who would twist the Constitution, saying:

"And so my criteria, for example, would be -- if a Justice tells me that they only believe the strict letter of the Constitution -- that means that they possibly don't mean -- believe in -- a right to privacy that may not be perfectly enumerated in the Constitution but, you know,

that I think is there."

His stated opposition to judges who "only believe the strict letter of the Constitution" is an obvious endorsement of only those activist judges who insist on making up a so-called "right" to abortion.

Furthermore, when asked during a public forum which justice he would not have appointed, he ironically singled out Clarence Thomas, the Supreme Court's sole black justice who, not coincidentally, has specifically stated that a right to abortion does not exist in the Constitution.

NPLA Members' Past Successes Bode Well for Future of Pro-Life Movement


But NPLA members have been successful in fighting for constructionist judicial nominees in the past. Consider the nomination of Justice Samuel Alito, who faced a filibuster by Democrats, in large part because he refused to toe the line by supporting abortion-on-demand.

In that nomination fight, NPLA members funded hard-hitting TV and newspaper ads nationwide. Their grass-roots petition campaign was instrumental in breaking the threatened filibuster and mobilizing the vast majority of Americans who do not believe that judges should use their personal opinions and foreign law to rewrite the clear words of the United States Constitution.

King points out that just as pro-lifers have repeatedly fought for their ideals and come through elections with the same or increased levels of support in Congress, the prospect of an Obama administration is daunting, but does not spell the end of the pro-life movement.

According to Mary King, "If the National Pro-Life Alliance's members step up and fight, as they have done so many times in the past, we will successfully hold our ground. Indeed, by presenting a clear alternative to abortion-on-demand, in the long run we will undoubtedly progress in the battle to protect the lives of the innocent unborn."





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