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CHLOE'S LAW

Currently, prenatal testing allows for the diagnosis of a child with Down Syndrome. For this reason, 90% of diagnosed babies are aborted.



Kurt Kondrich, a Pittsburgh-area native and father of Chloe, a vibrant girl with Down Syndrome, has a solution for this problem. He, along with PA Senator Vulkavich and PA Representative Marshall, have proposed "Chloe's Law" - a bill that would simply require additional information to be given to parents and families upon the diagnosis of Down

Syndrome.

Chloe's Law would aid parents in their decision making process. It would make available up-to-date, evidence based information about Down Syndrome, including physical; developmental; educational and psychosocial outcomes; life expectancy; intellectual and functional development; treatment options; and support services.

So often parents and families with the diagnosis of Down Syndrome are told that an abortion is the only right response. If they knew there were resources available to help their unborn child succeed in life, they may make a different decision. <http://thecapitolwatch.com/2014/03/proposed-chloes-law-on-down-syndrome-will-save-lives/>

Vatican, Anglicans, Muslims Sign Accord Against Human Trafficking

The Vatican, the Anglican Communion and a leading Muslim institution signed a historic agreement to work together to end human trafficking worldwide by 2020.

The new accord, signed during a Vatican news conference March 17, launched the beginning of the Global Freedom Network, which hopes to expand to include all the world's major faiths. The global initiative aims to prevent modern forms of slavery; to protect, rescue and rehabilitate victims; and to promote concrete measures that condemn or criminalize human trafficking.

The Walk Free Foundation in 2013 published the "Global Slavery Index," a country-by-country breakdown which found that some 29.8 million people were currently enslaved around the globe: child laborers harvesting cocoa in Ivory Coast, women sold for sex in Moldova, and Haitian children trafficked and forced into begging. Everyday items used in the developed world - soccer balls, bricks, diamonds and flowers - are often produced or extracted using slave labor, the report said. http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2014/03/17/global-freedom-network_n_4978639.html

Russia Bans Belgium From Adopting Kids Because They May be Euthanized

Russian MPs have proposed to put a ban on child adoption by citizens of countries where the euthanasia of underage children is allowed. A lawyer, Larisa Pavlova, the Chairwoman of the board of Directors of the Parents Committee (a public organization) shares the opinion of the Russian MPs.

"It is high time that we not only make friends but also appreciate the condition of the society we plan to contract with. Therefore, we can say that the society which officially favors murdering of children is unhealthy."

Voice of Russia 3/9/14

Death on Demand Coming to Canada? Proposal Would Push Euthanasia on Patients

Legislation has been introduced in Canada's Parliament to legalize assisted suicide, and once again the "strict guidelines" are broad enough to drive a hearse through. From, "The Right to Die Well," by the bill's author, Steven Fletcher:

"Having been diagnosed by a physician with an illness, a disease or a disability (including disability arising from traumatic injury) that causes intolerable physical or psychological suffering that cannot be alleviated by any medical treatment acceptable to that person, or;

Being in a state of weakening capacity with no chance of improvement and being of sound mind and capable of fully understanding the information provided to him or her under other sections of the law."

Note, this isn't the same thing as saying there is no way to alleviate "pain" since the suffering can be psychological. Also, that including the phrase, "acceptable to that person," would mean that *there would be no objective way to measure or judge any of this.*

Besides, any suicidal person thinks there is no way to alleviate their suffering. Should this bill become law, *it won't be long before it extends to mental illness*—which, after all can cause far more suffering than a physical malady. Indeed, that is precisely what happened in the Netherlands, Belgium, and Switzerland.

LifeSiteNews.com 3/31/14

Hillary Clinton Tells UN— Women Cannot Progress Without Reproductive Rights

Twenty years after the Clintons failed to get countries to declare a right to abortion, Mrs. Clinton told a posh United Nations crowd, “You cannot make progress on gender equality or broader human development without safeguarding women’s reproductive health or rights.” Clinton is adamant that reproductive health includes abortion. According to the former U.S. Secretary of State, this is a “bedrock truth.”

Many countries do not share that truth. The most recent UN conference on development, held in 2012 while Clinton was U.S. Secretary of State, did not mention reproductive rights, instead emphasizing social and economic development.

Controversy over the term is already disrupting negotiations for the post-2015 development agenda, a new global scheme to replace the Millennium Development Goals which expire in 2015. Catholic Family & Human Rights Institute 3/14/14

Chinese “Postbox” to Save Babies From Infanticide Closed as Disabled Babies Abandoned Every Day

The Guangdong ‘baby flap’ project has now been forced to temporarily close after 262 mostly disabled babies were handed in within the first three months of the scheme operating.

Xu Jiu, 47, director of the Guangzhou Welfare Center, said their baby flap project was massively oversubscribed in comparison to other regions. He said: ‘The project in Inner Mongolia only received four abandoned babies 10 months after its establishment and Shijiazhuang received 180 babies in two and a half years after its establishment. ‘Yet here in Guangzhou we received 262 babies in 90 days.’

One feature almost all of the abandoned babies have in common is that they are in some way either ill or disabled. It includes children with cerebral palsy, Down’s syndrome and congenital heart disease.

Xu Jiu added: ‘We have learned a lot from this even if we stop it now, it shows us that we need to offer better child welfare systems and in particular the assistance and support for families with severely disabled children. London Daily News 3/18/14



Former President Carter tells David Letterman that “there are 160,000 million girls selectively aborted”

Mr. Carter told Letterman:

“Well, it’s the worst human rights abuse on earth and it’s basically unaddressed. I’ll start with the worst statistic that I know and that is that 160 million girls are now missing from the face of the earth because they were murdered at birth by their parents or either selectively aborted when their parents find out that the fetus is a girl. So that many people are missing and they’re all girls who are missing.” National Right to Life News 3/27/14

PROJECT MUSTARD SEED



The letter recipient for this month is:

GARDEN FRESH.

Operations: **eateries** (Souplantation, Sweet Tomatoes).

Please write to:

Mr. David Goronkin, CEO
Garden Fresh Restaurant Corp.
15822 Bernardo Ctr. Dr., Ste. A
San Diego, CA 92127

Ask him to stop funding Planned Parenthood

www.souplantation.com

Appeals Court Upholds Strong Texas Abortion Regulations

Pro-life advocates took encouragement from a federal appeals court’s decision upholding a Texas law that strengthened health and safety requirements for the state’s abortion facilities and barred late-term abortions.

On March 27, a three-judge panel of the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals unanimously overturned a lower federal court’s decision blocking provisions of the law.

The law, H.B. 2, required abortion facilities to abide by health requirements equivalent to those of other outpatient surgical clinics. The provisions require doctors performing abortions to have admitting privileges at local hospitals.

The law has contributed to the closure of about one-third of the abortion providers in Texas, where 19 abortion facilities remain open, Reuters reported.

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Pope Institutes New Commission on Protecting Minors from Abuse

Last December, Pope Francis announced that he wanted to set up a special commission for the protection of minors in the Church. On March 22, he instituted the new body, called the Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors.

The Vatican says their principal role will be to prepare the Statutes of the Commission, which will define its tasks and competencies.

“Certain that the Church has a critical role to play in this field, and looking to the future without forgetting the past, the Commission will take a multi-pronged approach to promoting youth protection, including: education regarding the exploitation of children; discipline of offenders; civil and canonical duties and responsibilities; and the development of best practices as they have emerged in society at large. In this way, and with the help of God, this Commission will contribute to the Holy Father’s mission of upholding the sacred responsibility of ensuring the safety of young people,” said Vatican spokesman Fr. Federico Lombardi, SJ. National Catholic Register 3/22/14