

2nd Year



Eagle Forum Report

successor to The Phyllis Schlafly Report

January 2018

Volume 2/Number 1

Choosing Life

BORN ALIVE FOLLOWING SALINE ABORTION

by Gianna Jessen, an abortion survivor's testimony before the House Judiciary Committee on September 23, 2016, on the Hyde Amendment and Born Alive Infants Protection Act

I wish to appeal not only to those present within this chamber today, but to my nation.

We are here to discuss infanticide. I am greatly troubled that this hearing is even necessary, and that such a law to prevent infanticide must be constructed in the United States of America at all.

Many Americans have no idea that babies can even live through abortions and are often left to die. But this does happen. I know this because I was born alive in an abortion clinic after being burned in my mother's womb for 18 hours.

My medical records clearly state the following: Born during saline abortion on April 6, 1977, 6 a.m., 2 1/2 pounds.

Apart from Jesus Himself, the only reason I am alive is the fact that the abortionist had not yet arrived at work that morning. Had he been there, he would have ended my life by strangulation, suffocation or simply leaving me there to die.

Instead, I lived and have the gift of cerebral palsy as a direct result of lack of oxygen to my brain while surviving an abortion.

By the grace of God, in my case, a nurse called an ambulance and had me transferred to a hospital. That nurse saved my life and I am profoundly grateful to her for this.

Those who wish to justify such unspeakable evil, such as leaving a baby without proper medical care to die, have become masters of the

manipulation of language, intimidation and defaming their opponents to achieve their wicked aims.

ously exchanging the truth for a lie. We have neglected our soul. What will it take for us to awaken from our numbness and indifference regarding this? Will we ever wake?

I am confounded as well by the passivity so often demonstrated by otherwise good and just men; by the fact that we must plead with those in power to give the most vulnerable infants among us, even one moment of their attention.

This is a bipartisan issue, and I think it's important for the American people to weigh at this hour, whether or not they wish to elect someone to the highest office in the land that favors infanticide. Because that is what we are speaking of here, a child, exactly as I was, that had the audacity to live through her mother's abortion and needed immediate and proper care.

So I would like to ask Mr. Trump to tell me, and you, where he specifically stands on this issue, and I ask the same of Mrs. Clinton. I would also like to ask Senator Mitch McConnell to force a vote on the Born Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act before the end of this September. [President Trump has proven his pro-life position by reinstating the Hyde Amendment.]

As a nation, we are continuing

Gianna Jessen Asks Congress: "If Abortion Is About Women's Rights, Then What Were Mine?"



(Continued on page 2)

I have faced the consequences of our choices as a nation (as evidenced by my cerebral palsy).

So if you choose to do nothing, I believe I at least deserve to know why you find this abhorrent practice tolerable, and I would respectfully ask that you tell me directly.

It seems in some ways, we have lost our way in this beautiful nation. But it needn't be so. We have only to remember that we are lent each breath,

that we are all engraved upon the hands of God, and therefore, cannot for a single moment, be forgotten by Him.

We need only to remember Jesus, who took me from my mother's womb, to be his own.

Editor's Note: The Eagle Forum Report is grateful that Gianna Jessen gave us permission to reprint her incredible testimony with one request: she is scheduled exclusively through her

website for speaking engagements. Please go to www.giannajessen.com for more information.

President George W. Bush signed the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act in 2002, but that law lacks enforcement protections, which is the purpose of the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act. This second bill passed the House with all opposing votes coming from Democrats, but the Senate has yet to pass it. 

TAXPAYERS ARE STILL FUNDING ABORTION

by Tabitha Walter, Eagle Forum's Executive Director in Washington, D.C.

Feminism has brainwashed young women to think that life is a simple "choice." Young girls are bombarded with Hollywood's glamorization of abortion, but Eagle Forum is committed to changing their hearts and minds for their own sake — and for life eternal.

President Donald Trump is actively pursuing his pro-life agenda with executive orders. Now, it is Congress's turn to codify these policies and save the unborn.

On his first day in office, President Trump signed an Executive Order reinstating the Mexico City Policy that was first implemented by President Ronald Reagan, but was redacted by the Democrat presidents who followed him. This policy prevents international organizations that perform or promote abortions overseas from receiving federal money.

A Marist poll published on the same day showed a whopping 83 percent of Americans oppose federal funding of abortions abroad. The poll also showed that 61 percent of Americans also oppose taxpayer funded abortions within the United

States.

Nonetheless, our tax dollars are surreptitiously paying for abortions. Tax-exempt municipal, county, and state bonds are being used to circumvent the people's will. These "abortion bonds" subsidize abortion facilities to upgrade their infrastructures. In 2012, for example, the New York City Industrial Development Agency issued a tax-free municipal bond for \$15 million to renovate Planned Parenthood's national headquarters.

Just three years later, Planned Parenthood sold the facility for \$69.6 million, which was

nearly double its purchase price in 2011.

Rep. Robert Pittenger (R-NC) introduced legislation this year to end this practice of federal tax-exempt abortion bonds. The *No Abortion Bonds Act* (H.R. 4131) is a critical piece of legislation that will close these loopholes in the tax code. So far, the bill has 87 co-sponsors, including one Democrat.

The greatest pro-life victory of 2017 was the re-implementation of the Hyde Amendment. Since 1976, it has protected taxpayers with deeply held pro-life beliefs by prohibiting taxpayer money from funding abortions, a provision upheld by the Supreme Court on the basis that abortion is not consistent with other medical procedures since the main purpose is to terminate a life. Even so, pro-life groups must engage in a seemingly never-ending fight for this language in multiple pieces of legislation dealing with our taxpayer money.

Eagle Forum is already preparing for a number of pro-life battles in 2018. With a Republican majority in the House, Senate, and White House, pro-life legislation should be easier, but Congress needs to be motivated and held accountable more than ever.

(Continued on page 3)

