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## NEW PLANNED PARENTHOOD BOSS NAMED Selection Signals Direction Of Pro-Abortion Group

The Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA) has a new president. A former deputy chief of staff to Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., Cecile Richards has a long history of leftist political activism.

Richards, who has no direct experience in the "health care" field, said she was honored to take charge of a group "that stands for the very freedoms embraced by the majority of Americans; the ability to decide when and whether to have children; and the importance of privacy, safety and access to health care."



Richards

The new PPFA chief is the eldest daughter of former Texas governor Ann Richards. A liberal Democrat, the elder Richards gained national prominence with her keynote address at the 1988 Democratic National Convention, during which she claimed then-President George H. W. Bush had been "born with a silver foot in this mouth." Two years later, Richards was elected governor of Texas. She was defeated for reelection by George W. Bush in 1994.

The younger Richards, who at six feet tall can naturally attract attention, attended an elite private school and Ivy League college. She spent 15 years of her early career as a labor organizer.

A disdain for the "Religious Right" became evident after Richards' mother lost to Bush. (She blamed the Religious Right for the defeat.) The new PPFA boss views the Religious Right as racist and irrational.

Shortly after the gubernatorial election, which was clearly a traumatic experience for Richards, she founded the Texas Freedom Network (TFN). The group claims its mission is to advance "a mainstream

agenda of religious freedom and individual liberties to counter the religious right." TFN offered details:

Founded in 1995, the Texas Freedom Network is a non-partisan, grassroots organization of more than 23,000 religious and community leaders. Based in Austin, the Texas Freedom Network acts as the state's watchdog, monitoring far-right issues, organizations, money and leaders. The organization has been instrumental in defeating initiatives backed by the religious right in Texas, including private school vouchers, textbook censorship and faith-based deregulation.

In a 1996 interview with *Freedom Writer*, a publication of the radical Institute for First Amendment Studies, Richards was asked how she became involved in organizing opposition to the Religious Right. "I had a semi-religious experience in 1994," she said. "I was traveling around the state during the gubernatorial race, and I was totally unprepared for what I encountered among voters. They were really on a mission to eradicate the state of [what they saw as] godless, pro-homosexual, anti-family elected officials. They were angry, irrational, and incredibly motivated. It was frightening."



"I talked to people who are experts on the Religious Right and I realized there was a lot of concern and that people were fairly well informed about what was happening, but we weren't doing enough to really take it on," Richards said. "So, we started the Texas Freedom

Network in my living room. My first volunteer was Lily, my daughter...My first donor was my grandmother, because she hates Pat Robertson."

Richards claimed that children are the reason people have decided to speak out against the Religious Right:

When you find out that nationally or locally there are political groups that want to take over the political system, you'll fight to the death for your kids. And not just your kids, but other kids. It's interesting. A lot of the people I've met through the local school boards are not political people. They may not even necessarily vote in other elections. But when they learn that groups like the Eagle Forum or Citizens for Excellence in Education are planning to take over the local school board, they become political very fast.

*Freedom Writer* noted that TFN events always include speeches from "religious leaders" who are "fed up with Religious Right rhetoric." The interviewer then made an interesting comment: "Involving clergy seems to be a very intentional strategy on your part." Richards responded:

The most interesting lesson I have learned this year is that people in the mainstream and progressive community really need and want to talk about issues of faith and morality, about family, and the decline of this country. I feel like we have abandoned discussion of those issues. The challenge is to learn how to talk about issues of faith, how to build a faith-based response to the Religious Right.

Involving clergy changes the dynamic of what we are doing. It allows them to have conversations with other religious leaders and with lay people to explore these things. We can help clergy begin to be a broader voice in the community. I think that's critical.

Richards left TFN to work as president of America Votes, which describes itself as "a coalition of many of the largest membership-based groups in the country, who have come together to increase voter registration, education and participation in electoral politics." The group says its interests lie in such areas as "the environment, civil and human rights, women's rights, choice, education and labor."



**Richards speaks at an America Votes event.**

America Votes membership includes groups such as the Planned Parenthood Action Fund (PPAF), American Federation of Teachers, Association of Trial Lawyers of America, Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence, EMILY's List (funds the campaigns of pro-abortion female Democrats), NAACP National Voter Fund, Human Rights Campaign (a homosexual rights group), NARAL Pro-Choice America, National Education Association, and Sierra Club.

Richards has served on the boards of PPAF (the political arm of PPFA) and NARAL. She has also been a speaker at many pro-abortion events. This means Richards has a lot of political experience but virtually none

in "health care." Douglas R. Scott, president of LDI, said PPFA was "relying on name familiarity and style" when it selected Richards. "She has no qualifications to lead a group that claims to be a 'health care' provider."

Scott said the selection makes the direction PPFA will take for at least the next decade very clear. Richards "will move political activity to the forefront, just as was done under [former PPFA President] Faye Wattleton." Scott said the group "can be expected to intensify efforts to spread its radical philosophy."

"Since Planned Parenthood has chosen a leader who has been more involved in politics than in so-called health care, it is quite obvious that the group will become more active, more belligerent and even more out of the mainstream," Scott said. "If the good people who are the Pro-Family Movement think they have experienced the full impact of an activist Planned Parenthood they are flatly wrong. The biggest battles are yet to come."

#### **Save the Date!!!**

The PPHSET Action Fund, Inc. Annual Meeting will take place on Thursday, April 18. The guest speaker will be Cecile Richards, from Washington, D.C., who currently works on reproductive rights and family planning issues for the Turner Foundation. PPHSET will also be honoring Houston City Council member Carol Alvarado, the PPHSET Action Fund board member elected to public office.

**A Planned Parenthood of Houston and Southeast Texas newsletter publicized Richards as an event speaker.**

Planned Parenthood is far more interested in advancing a social agenda than in providing "health care." But the "health care" ruse makes it possible for PPFA to get its foot into many doors than would be possible if it were known exclusively as an abortion advocacy group.

The group's new boss can be expected to employ any and all means to spread its radical agenda. "We are talking about a group of people who believe the ends justify the means. And they will not rest until their world view has been imposed on all human beings," Scott said. "Pro-family people can still win this fight. This will be a war of attrition. Victory will belong to those with perseverance and patience; those who are willing to sacrifice for the cause."

On January 13, the interim PPFA chief released a statement to the group's activists:

I am proud to have served as interim president of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America during the past year—and I'm very pleased to be able to tell you today that we have completed our search for a permanent president!

On behalf of the entire Planned Parenthood community, it is truly my privilege and my honor to introduce you to Cecile Richards, the new president of Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

Ms. Richards, one of the nation's most prominent activist leaders, will join Planned Parenthood next month after more than 20 years at the helm of social justice movements...Cecile has a long history of work in the reproductive rights community, and over the years we have had the pleasure of working together as coalition partners. She created and directed the Turner Foundation's national pro-choice project...

I know that you will want to learn as much as you can about Cecile and about our work moving forward...As I remain at the helm over the next critically important month, I will continue to keep you informed and updated on significant news—from Washington, DC, and across the country, as well as from within Planned Parenthood. Together, we will *continue* to make a difference.

Yours in the struggle,

Karen Pearl

The mother of three children, all of whom are teenagers, Richards is married but chose to keep her maiden name. Three children? This fact would surely make population-controller Ted Turner very unhappy.

### KEY CHAIN SPARKS BROUHAHA

Remember the “I had an abortion” t-shirts sold by Planned Parenthood? Remember the “Choice Awareness” bracelets the group described as “fun and fashionable?” How about the “emergency contraception” ink pens and t-shirts, the “Does Size Matter?” rulers, the condom lollipops, and the “Choice on Earth” holiday cards sold by the group? Planned Parenthood is also marketing a key chain that bears the prominent work of Michelangelo—almost.



In his Sistine Chapel masterpiece the gifted artist shows God reaching out to touch man. But the Planned Parenthood key chain shows God reaching out to give man a condom. “It’s an example of depraved morals and contempt for the sensibility of Catholics everywhere,” C. J. Doyle of the Catholic Action League of Massachusetts told Reuters News Service (RNS).

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Kristian Mineau, president of the Massachusetts Family Institute, called the Sistine Chapel key chain image “a very crude and crass maneuver.” Mineau told RNS that the item “does nothing to deal with the horrific promiscuity rate...among teenagers. We believe the real approach particularly to the young people that this is targeted at is abstinence before marriage.”



“Condoms are cheaper than diapers.”

Fr. William Holt of the Church of Saint Mary’s in New Haven, Connecticut, finds the key chain terribly offensive. “It contradicts everything the Catholic Church stands for and what God stands for,” he said.

The condom key chains offend “just about everyone in the country,” Jim Sedlak, executive director of American Life League’s STOPP International, told *The Drudge Report*. “Some are even blasphemous.” Sedlak said some other key chains sold by Planned Parenthood are offensive to parents and patriotic Americans.

The key chain, which sells for three dollars, is available through Planned Parenthood of Connecticut (PPC). The pro-abortion group offers more than 25 other key chain designs, including an image of a U.S. flag with the stars replaced with the words “Wear with Pride.” Another reads, “The Roll-On With Maximum Protection.” Yet another key chain shows an “immunity idol” like that seen on the hit television show “Survivor.” The text reads, “Immunity Idol For Real Survivors.”



“EARTH & CONDOMS: We can't live without 'em.” “The media attention led to an avalanche of orders...,” said PPC’s Judy Tabar. She said the group’s website had 100,000 visitors after Drudge “advertised” the existence of the key chain, which caused the site to shut down for several hours. (Some pro-family activists had intense criticism had led PPC to block access to its website.) “We have expanded our capacity and it is up again...,” Tabar said.

Tabar released a ludicrous and weak defense of the key chain, which was published on PPC’s website:

The condom keychain is part of Planned Parenthood’s long-time commitment to helping people protect their health. We believe that everyone who needs condoms should have them. For sexually active people, condoms are the best protection against unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections. A keychain is a great reminder to protect your health & safety.

The packaging is designed to appeal to a wide range of people. We’ve had an avalanche of orders for these key chains and have needed to expand our capacity to keep up with the demand. *Buy your condom keychain now!*

“Appalling? Undeniably. Blasphemous? Definitely. Bigoted? Certainly. But surprising? Not at all,” said LDI President Douglas R. Scott. “Not when you know Planned Parenthood the way we do. All decent people have reason to be indignant about Planned Parenthood’s behavior. But as disgusting as the sale of such items is let’s not lose sight of the big picture.”

“Planned Parenthood kills human beings. Planned Parenthood corrupts the morals of our children and grandchildren,” Scott said. “Planned Parenthood seeks to impose its ghastly vision on every nation of the world by any means necessary. Considering these undeniable facts, why wouldn’t the group sell such ungodly items? Doing so goes hand-in-hand with Planned Parenthood’s philosophy. The philosophy itself is what needs to be exposed.”



**Lady Liberty put down her torch to hold up a condom.**

In a story released on January 12, 2006, LifeSiteNews.com reported that Planned Parenthood had “just launched” the line of condom key chains. Actually, the key chains have been available for over a year.

### PROPOSED LAW ANGERS PRIESTS

Roman Catholic priests in the South American country of Columbia are furious over a proposal that would require everyone aged 14 and older to carry a condom at all times. If passed, the law would also apply to all persons who are merely visiting the town.

William Peña, a councilman in the town of Tulua, said his proposal would reduce unwanted pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases. Any person caught without a condom could be fined \$180 (a lot of money in Columbia) or ordered to take a “safe sex” course.

Priests in Tulua, which is 150 miles southwest of Bogota, were understandably upset by the proposal. Fr. Jesus Velasquez said such a law would only encourage sexual relations and ridiculed it as absurd. “I would have to have a condom even though I’m a member of the clergy,” he told *El Tiempo*.

“Nobody can force someone to carry a condom in their pocket,” said Fr. Roberto Sarmiento, another town priest. “They should instead carry the responsibility of what sexual relations mean.” Unfortunately, Sarmiento suggested that improved sex education would be a better solution to the problems Peña seeks to address.

AP quoted Ramiro Caño, a 19-year-old Tulua resident, as saying he supports the proposal. “I try to always carry a condom on me, especially if I go to a discotheque, in case I can pick someone up.” Caño believes most young people support the legislation, which he also said has become the talk of the town.

Governments in Columbia have turned to the condom to deal with the country’s high rate of sexually transmitted diseases, including the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). The capital city of Bogota handed out more than two million free condoms last year as

part of a campaign titled, “Use it instinctively; make yourself sexy.” In the city of Tunja, condom dispensers are being installed in bars and movie theaters.

If Peña’s proposal is made law, we suggest an amendment. In addition to forcing people to carry a condom, they should also be required to have a card giving contact information for local pregnancy help centers. After all, they will be needed—sooner or later.

### THEY’RE HERE!

The May-June 2005 edition of *The Caleb Report* included the findings of an LDI investigation into Custom Direct, which markets LifeChecks (checks bearing pro-life messages/images). While we were not happy that the company does business with groups like the American Civil Liberties Union and Planned Parenthood, the attacks made against it had been exaggerated.

In the July-August edition of *The Caleb Report*, we reported that the founder of LifeChecks, George V. Johnson, affectionately known as “the pro-life check guy,” was returning to the business. The new business is up and running. For information, call 1-800-977-6647 or visit [promisechecks.com](http://promisechecks.com).

### THE PRAYER PROJECT

Please join us in daily prayer for the men and women who are active in the Pro-Abortion Movement and those who have not been strong in their claimed pro-life convictions: *January*—**Marian Wright Edelman**, founder and chief executive officer of the Children’s Defense Fund; *February*—former Canadian Prime Minister **Paul Martin**; *March*—actor and political activist **Martin Sheen**; *April*—Governor **Rod Blagojevich**, D-Ill.; *May*—actress and talk-show host **Oprah Winfrey**; *June*—new PPFA head **Cecile Richards**; and *July*—new Canadian Prime Minister **Stephen Harper**.

### IN YOUR OWN WORDS

LDI often provides space for its supporters and detractors to have their say about various issues. If you have a comment/opinion on any issue relating to LDI or life issues, do not be shy! Send it to us!

Laura Nowotny wrote an irate message to LDI about an article she read:

What a surprise to read yet another close minded article linking a woman’s right to control her body with blood-lust. When a woman chooses to get pregnant, it is pro-choice. When a woman chooses to carry her baby to full term and love her for the rest of her life it is pro-choice. When a woman chooses responsible sexual practices to avoid becoming pregnant or to prevent disease it is pro-

choice. Stop your blathering about choice equalling [sic] abortion. The topic is choice—and women have the right to choice.

Well, Nowotny sure has the rhetoric down but that is about all. Incidentally, she neglected to identify the article that led to this diatribe so we have no idea what she means by the “bloodlust” comment.

Tania Bitz objected to the Corporate Funding Project:

I ran across you [sic] list looking up a salon that ended up on your list. I am pro-life, personal history not just religious conviction. And even though I feel this way I just don't believe in Black listing everyone that have a difference in opinion. God will take care of their hearts in the end, its [sic] not our job to fight the sinner but hate the sin.

Barry and Gretchen Draper sent a message to LDI with the subject line, “What a great Scam!”:

I can tell the God of the Dollar is working well in your organization .[sic] Just \$15.75 gets me a list of bogus companies to boycott .[sic]

SHAME on YOU ![sic]

“Bogus” companies? Microsoft is very real. We swear.

Canadian Amber Johnson had a lot to say about LDI and our work:

I want to thank you for your very helpful boycott list on the web-site [www.fightpp.org](http://www.fightpp.org). I had no idea that large corporations donated to Planned Parenthood. For many years I have supported women's access to affordable birth control. While I was in college I was unable to afford health insurance and the only place where I could obtain affordable birth control was Planned Parenthood. Of course I was often harassed by pro-lifers to not kill my non-existent baby. No amount of talking could convince these so called Christians that not only was I not pregnant, I was also married and that my husband and I (also college student at the time) just did not want to bring into the world a child we could not at the moment afford. If it wasn't for the affordable birth control I obtained at Planned Parenthood I doubt I would have been able to complete college since I'm sure I would have ended up pregnant. Now, though, both my husband and I have good careers and were able to choice [sic] when we wanted to start a family thanks to Planned Parenthood. So now thanks to your boycott list I now know where I can shop at stores and dine in restaurants that help support an agency that helped make it possible for me to achieve my education and have a family and children when I was ready and not when a conservative political group decided when I should have children. I will also be passing this “boycott” list to my numerous friends and colleges [sic] so they too know which businesses they can choice [sic] to support.

Johnson seems to think we publish the name of every boycott target on the LDI website. She is grossly mistaken. But some pro-abortion people do actually order *The Boycott List*. Many businesses that support Planned Parenthood of Houston and Southeast Texas (PPHSET) are identified on the list of local/regional boycott targets. Larissa Lindsay and William Bailey, both of whom reside at the same Houston address, ordered *The Boycott List*. Lindsay is a PPHSET employee. She obviously placed the order to counter our efforts, despite the online statement which reads, “Persons placing an order certify that they are opposed to legal abortion and support the goals of Life Decisions International.” (At least she did not get *The List* for free; with LDI doing all of the research.)

Molly MacPherson was more succinct in a message she addressed to LDI President Douglas R. Scott:

Dear Mr. Scott,

Bite me.

...or is that a rip off from the Bible, too?

Celebrity Watch, a project of LDI, identifies public figures that support Planned Parenthood's agenda in whole or in part. Jim Trageser wrote to say LDI got it wrong when we placed actor Martin Sheen on that list:

Martin Sheen is publicly pro-life and has been arrested for nonviolent protest outside more abortion clinics than anyone else I know of. You need to double-check having him on your list.

LDI responded by saying that Sheen claims to be personally opposed to abortion but does not support legislating against it. Trageser was not satisfied:

That does not make him pro-choice, nor a supporter of Planned Parenthood.

Sheen has been extremely courageous in being openly pro-life in Hollywood. He also refused to portray his character on *The West Wing* if they made him pro-choice. That's why the very liberal *West Wing's* president was silent on the issue for so long.

Unless he has openly endorsed Planned Parenthood (which would both stun and deeply disappoint me), your listing of him as a supporter is dishonest. He's taken far more heat for opposing abortion than you and I combined ever will—and I work in a very liberal newspaper newsroom, where I take plenty. But nothing like Martin, who has been a hero to the pro-life movement for his courage.

Or do you believe only “conservatives” can be pro-life? In that case, abortion isn't the issue at all. Oh—feel free to visit my [personal website]...to see if I'm pro-life “enough” for your taste...

Trageser claims Sheen “refused” to play the president on “The West Wing” if the character would be “pro-choice.” If this were true, money must have done the talking. The character has always been pro-abortion.

It seemed as though Trageser was resistant to even considering the possibility that he might be wrong about his “hero.” LDI said that if the actor does not advocate outlawing abortion, he is inherently “pro-choice” because this benefits the status quo. We also sent Trageser some evidence regarding Sheen’s views from an interview that appeared in *The Progressive* (emphasis added below):

Q: What are your views on abortion?

Sheen: *I cannot make a choice for a woman, particularly a black or brown or poor pregnant woman. I would not make a judgment in the case. As a father and a grandfather, I have had experience with children who don’t always come when they are planned, and I have experienced the great joy of God’s presence in my children, so I’m inclined to be against abortion of any life. But I am equally against the death penalty or war—anywhere people are sacrificed for some end justifying a means. I don’t think abortion is a good idea. I personally am opposed to abortion, but I will not judge anybody else’s right in that regard because I am not a woman and I could never face the actual reality of it.*

...

Q: Which politicians do you admire?

Sheen: I don’t really have a great deal of confidence in politics or politicians, but there are certain elected officials that I admire very much, such as Dennis Kucinich from Ohio, Barbara Lee, Congresswoman from Oakland, *Howard Dean, who I’m supporting for President.*



Sheen enthusiastically worked for pro-abortion Howard Dean.

“Well, that is very disappointing,” Trageser responded. “I’ll have to take him off my list. He was there in the trenches for a good 30 years, excoriated in both *The Nation* and *Mother Jones* for

being a traitor, arrested outside abortion clinics dozens of times. I guess everyone has their limits as to how much abuse they can take from their social circle...particularly distressing that he no longer sees the racism inherent in promoting abortion for the poor...”

We thought this was the end of the discussion but Trageser, who is assistant online editor of the *North County Times* in California, was not finished:

I would disagree with the statement that “if he does not support outlawing abortion, he is inherently ‘pro-choice.’”

Nat Hentoff opposes outlawing it until public opinion swings around—and I’m not sure I would support passing a law that 65 percent of Americans disagree with. What good what [sic] it do? What good is a law that is routinely ignored, never enforced? It wouldn’t end abortion. It wouldn’t increase respect for human life. All it would do is undermine public support for *all* laws.

Abe Lincoln opposed slavery, but had no interest in outlawing it until the Civil War was started. He even wrote a letter to Jefferson Davis promising to never propose new limits on slaves if only the South would rejoin the Union. Was Lincoln “pro-choice” on slavery? Or a pragmatic opponent living in a democratic society?

And we know what happens when unpopular laws are imposed on an unwilling population—after the Civil War, federal laws were passed outlawing discrimination against blacks. But as soon as the Army pulled out of the South (or at least turned control back over to civilians and retired to their bases), Jim Crow and the Klan immediately rose up. Blacks were denied the right to vote, to attend public schools, to the use of public facilities—all in violation of existing law! And in fact, in the Deep South, respect for law overall declined during the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century so that the Klan was routinely lynching blacks. No white person was convicted of killing a black in the Deep South until the 1960s. So there were very serious repercussions and no real aid to blacks. Their position was largely unchanged from when they were still legally slaves.

It was only when MLK [Martin Luther King] jump-started the Civil Rights movement and forced the nation to face the horror of bigotry that there was broad support for new laws *and their full enforcement.*

That’s where we, in the pro-life movement, have our work cut out for us. It’s not enough to pass laws the majority opposes: We have to convince our fellow citizens of the evil of abortion so that a majority wants laws and demands their enforcement. Otherwise, we only waste everyone’s time and do nothing to protect the unborn.

Being pragmatic rather than didactic does not make one “pro-choice.” It simply allows one to craft real-world solutions that have an actual chance of saving babies.



Sheen campaigned for pro-abortion Al Gore.

Let us begin by stating a simple fact. Sixty-five percent of Americans do *not* oppose outlawing abortion. Besides, since polls show the *vast* majority of people would obey the law if abortion were made illegal, *much* good would come from doing so. And we must remember that, for better or worse, the law is a great teacher. Of course outlawing abortion would not “end” it. Did we “end” drunk

driving by passing a law? What about murder? Car theft?

If Trageser's point of view had been embraced in the late 1800s, the very same acts would have been committed against black men, women and children, and they all would have been legal. If the President had wanted to use the National Guard to protect black Americans, his hands would have been tied. Even if there is an immediate backlash, the law must do what is right.

Trageser argued that pragmatism and living in a democratic society precludes making abortion illegal. This would mean that basic human rights are subject to the whim of the population at any given time. LDI would argue that the right to life is the most fundamental of all rights. It comes from God and cannot be infringed by man.

The most important aspect of Trageser's entire discourse is that it does not apply to Sheen. Review the actor's comments in *The Progressive*. Exactly where is it indicated, even subtly, that Sheen wants to see abortion outlawed, eventually, when the timing is perfect?

While we enjoyed the intellectual exercise, LDI eventually told Trageser we would "have to agree to disagree." Trageser got the last word: "It's self-righteous types like you who prolong the day that abortion is finally illegal." Ouch! (What did we say that could even *remotely* be considered "self-righteous"?)

As for Sheen, we must paraphrase a statement by Ambassador Alan Keyes who said it is not where you stand on the abortion issue that counts; it is where the abortion issue stands with you. It apparently does not have a prominent place on Sheen's list of priorities.

Mark C. Butler did not like our taking on Dr. Phil McGraw for promoting Planned Parenthood (see "Dr. Phil Touts Planned Parenthood: 'Media Shrink' Presents Dichotomy; Enters Into Alliance With Pro-Abortion Group," *The Caleb Report*, September-October 2005):

I read the article concerning Douglas R. Scott's poo-pooing of Dr. Phil's stand on Planned Parenthood. How naive can you be? Dr. Phil is certainly no guru on how to live one's life but your stand proposing abstinence only is absurd. Yes, if you abstain from sex the risk for STD's [sic] and pregnancy is zero. But you are wrong in thinking that it is simply a matter of saying no to the strong-

est, genetically-ingrained emotion known to the human race. You say that Dr. Phil's promotion of Planned Parenthood is misguided as he is not an authority on the subject but are you the authority. One's decision to use birth control or have an abortion for an unwanted pregnancy (which is more humane and caring than bringing an unwanted child into this world) is quite simply none of your business. It is an issue between one's own conscience and God; you are not involved nor should you be. Didn't Jesus say, "Let he with no sin cast the first stone"? You are not an authority and should, very simply put, mind your own business, not anyone else's.

Putting aside the fact that he has a gross misunderstanding of the words spoken by Jesus, we believe the most important and telling words of all were the part where Butler said abortion "is more humane and caring than bringing an unwanted child into this world." This is Planned Parenthood's world view. And it should be noted that, well, actually, we *are* experts in this field.

Not all of the correspondence has been so contentious. Dane Hunter wrote with a compliment:

I'm proud to be associated with you guys. I am so glad that I can count on the things you say. I am blessed every time you go out on a limb even if it looks like the branch is about to break—or more likely someone is cutting down the tree with you in it. I have made you a priority in my giving because you are unlike anyone else. Stay strong and keep speaking the truth no matter what. That's why God put you here.


"Stay strong and keep speaking the truth no matter what." You can count on it.

#### QUOTABLE QUOTE

"For pleasure, ease, and effectiveness, both partners should know how to put on and use a condom. To learn without feeling pressured or embarrassed, practice on...[an] object like a ketchup bottle, banana, cucumber, or squash."

— "Putting On a Condom," Planned Parenthood Federation of America's website (ppfa.org)

#### CORPORATIONS PROUD OF SUPPORT

 In the July-August 2005 edition of *The Caleb Report*, we included a list of corporations that openly and proudly funded a homosexual event called Capital Pride, a celebration held the second weekend in June, where people gather to show "gay pride." While Capital Pride was an event, some corporations have openly and proudly supported a group with a political agenda. The Human Rights Campaign (HRC) works for "lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender equal rights."

“The support from corporate America to the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community is directly tied to HRC’s overall success,” read a statement by group. “Please show your loyalty and support by directing your friends/family to our National Corporate Sponsors...” (See why Planned Parenthood depends on corporate support as well?)

The following corporations funded HRC’s 2005 National Dinner (known supporters of Planned Parenthood are in *italic*): Volvo, Capital One, *Microsoft*, the Government of Canada, Satellite Radio, Chevron, Corning, *Ernst & Young*, the National Education Association (NEA), Northrop Grumman, MGM Mirage, Motorola, *America Online* (owned by *Time Warner*; also sponsored a table), *Bank of America*, the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), Hyatt (hotels & resorts), Merrill Lynch, Providian (financial services), SunTrust (financial services), Witeck-Combs Communications, & Aramark (food service). The Hershey Company and International Business Machines (IBM) sponsored tables. Incidentally, NARAL Pro-Choice America and EMILY’S List each sponsored tables.



HRC supporters often display its logo.

The following corporations are general HRC sponsors; not just one event (known supporters of Planned Parenthood are in *italic*): Volvo, IBM, Citigroup, *J. P. Morgan Chase*, Prudential Financial, Mitchell Gold+Bob Williams (furniture, etc.), American Airlines, hotels.com, Washington Mutual (financial services), Showtime (owned by CBS), the Government of Canada, *Nike*, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu, Replacements Ltd. (dinnerware), and Shell (fuel, etc.).

Fund-raising dinners were also held in dozens of cities across the United States. Several corporations were involved in supporting each local event.

**UPDATE: CORPORATE FUNDING PROJECT**



“Finding Nemo” found a big audience.

The Walt Disney Company has agreed to acquire Pixar Animation Studios. Pixar has had a long working relationship with Disney, but the agreement will make the leader in computer animation a subsidiary of the much larger Walt Disney Company. Pixar is responsible for such film hits as “Toy Story,” “A Bug’s Life,” “Finding Nemo,” “Cars,” “Monsters Inc.,” and “The Incredibles.”

An LDI supporter has let us know that Gannett sold *The Detroit News* to MediaNews Group, so it is no

longer a boycott target. *The Detroit Free Press* is owned by Gannett and should be listed as a target.

**“A LA CARTE” CABLE GETS THUMBS UP**

“Parents need better and more tools to help them navigate the entertainment waters, particularly on cable and satellite TV,” Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Chairman Kevin Martin told Congress late last year. In addition to expanding federal decency standards to include cable and satellite programs, Martin suggested several options, including allowing consumers to pay for a bundle of channels that they could choose themselves. “You can always turn the television off and of course block the channels you don’t want, but why should you have to.”



Martin

Cable and satellite providers say using an “a la carte” system would drive up costs. Kyle McSlarrow, president of the National Cable Television Association, went so far as to say requiring a la carte service would be unconstitutional. “You would not just be violating the First Amendment, but be hurting the very customers you’re trying to help,” he said.

“Cable companies that air some of the most graphically immoral material in television history cannot be trusted to turn around and successfully create a family-friendly tier,” said Lanier Swann, director of Government Relations at Concerned Women for America. “Parents must ask themselves if they really want the same cable millionaires who produced trash like *Nip/Tuck*, *Party at the Palms* and *Queer Eye for the Straight Guy* to define ‘family-friendly.’”

**PLANNED PARENTHOOD AND KANSAS**

On February 3, 2006, the Kansas Supreme Court ruled that Attorney General Phill Kline may resubmit his request for medical records from two abortion facilities under investigation for non-reporting of child sex abuse and illegal abortions. Under investigation are Women’s Health Care Services, which is owned and operated by late-term abortionist George R. Tiller, and Planned Parenthood of Kansas and Mid-Missouri. Kline has said he will resubmit the subpoenas.

**PRO-ABORTION SENATOR, PRO-LIFE EVENT**

When prominent members of the National Right to Life Committee Inc., and other groups gathered at the Republican Party’s Capitol Hill Club in Washington, D.C., they surely did not expect to hear from Senator Arlen Specter, R-Penn. The pro-abortion chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee was kept just outside the room until embattled Senator Rick Santorum, R-Penn., finished speaking to the crowd. The moment

Santorum concluded his remarks, Specter entered the room and was called to the microphone by the master of ceremonies.

“You never saw Santorum move so fast to get out of a room,” one attendee told *The Caleb Report*. It seems the junior senator did not wish to be seen with his senior colleague. Yet Specter had not crashed the event; he had clearly been invited and Santorum was not surprised by the visit.

It seems the plan was for Specter to give Santorum some cover for having supported the reelection of pro-abortion lawmaker—an endorsement decried by several pro-life leaders. Specter was there to remind pro-lifers how fair he had been during the confirmations of Chief Justice John Roberts and Justice Samuel Alito. So, those in attendance were expected to think, Santorum’s support of Specter was not so bad.



Asked if he was supporting Santorum’s reelection, Specter enthusiastically responded in the affirmative. It is payback time.

The ruse was clear—attendees were expected to believe all of the events were coincidental rather than carefully orchestrated. Virtually no one was fooled. “One party is evil and the other party is stupid,” the frustrated event attendee said.

At this writing, polls show Santorum trailing Democrat Bob Casey, son of the late governor, by a wide margin.

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