



VOTE *Why* **PRO-LIFE?**

Because MILLIONS of lives depend on your vote...

Your vote for pro-life legislators, judges, and the president can save millions of lives. Every day, 3,315 babies in the United States die from abortion. That is over 1.2 MILLION babies a year.¹ Your vote can tip the balance and help local, state, and national laws and policies pass that will help save lives.

Because BABIES deserve better.

In the United States, there are 2,000,000 couples waiting to adopt.² While these couples wait, babies are killed in the womb LEGALLY up to the day of birth — in ALL 50 states.³ Babies deserve loving families. Your vote can help reduce abortions in our country.

Because WOMEN deserve better.

Women are often pressured to have abortions from boyfriends, parents, or peers. After abortion, 7 in 10 women report bitterness and despair.⁴ Women deserve better than to be forced into an action they don't want to take. Your vote can help pass mandatory waiting periods and give a chance for all mothers to see their baby in an ultrasound.

Because MORALITY demands it.

Many decisions between right and wrong are obvious to everyone. Abortion is one of these. Everyone knows that killing a baby is not right. Even though the baby can't be seen in the womb, it is still a baby with a beating heart, little toes and fingers, and the ability to feel.^{5,6} Your vote is your moral voice in the public square. All people know that killing babies is wrong, so use your vote to do what is right.


Because someone needs to DEFEND the defenseless.

The honorable and righteous will always defend the weak and defenseless. There is no one more defenseless than a little baby in the mother's

womb. If the mother decides to kill her baby, there need to be those who will defend that little child and help the mother through her time of need. Your vote can make this happen. By voting for Pro-Life candidates you can end funding for pro-abortion groups and instead help fund those that support life.

Because YOUR vote can save lives!

The day after presidential elections brings a flurry of changes in national policies. After the last three elections in which the office of president changed parties, the first day included either the repeal or the re-institution of the Mexico City Policy. This policy, first put in place by President Reagan, stated that no federal funds could go to international organizations that promoted or performed abortions. The day it went into effect, babies were saved because organizations that were killing babies with your tax dollars lost funding. When President Clinton came into office, he repealed it on the first day. President Bush reinstated it, and President Obama repealed it. This is just one of the many ways that your vote can save lives the first day your candidate makes it into office!



What about OTHER issues?

Judge John Noonan said, "Once or twice in a century an issue arises... so far-reaching in its consequences and so deep in its foundations that it calls every person to take a stand."

Abortion is such an issue. Many other issues are important, but the issue of killing babies should cause all good men and women to take a stand. The death of millions of babies is not an important issue among other important issues, it is the most important of all issues.

When looking at a candidate from mayor to president, take a moment and consider their stand on life. Every pro-life politician can help save lives and it is your vote that will put them into office.

What do I do from here?

The start for every citizen is to vote. If all the people who say they are pro-life voted, abortion would be nearly non-existent in a few election cycles. But, you can't stop there. Get out and get others of like mind to vote with you. Help protect lives by educating others about the unborn. Show others the

truth of the humanity of the unborn by simply sharing your pro-life convictions. Pass out literature that tells about the unborn and their development and how abortion affects women. Finally, give time or financial support to your local CPC, RTL, or pro-life group. Your words can save lives, your donated time will save lives, and your pro-life vote does save lives. Don't miss the opportunity ... vote Pro-Life!

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