URGENT: Stop Tally Pro-Abort Resolution AGAIN!

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Dear Tallahassee-Area Friend of the Unborn:

Sadly, the proposed pro-abortion resolution is <u>back</u> on the Tallahassee City Commission's agenda for the commission's upcoming meeting **THIS WEDNESDAY**, **October 27**, **2021**.

Thanks to all of our combined efforts, the resolution was pulled from the Tallahassee City Commission's meeting agenda less than two hours before the commission was scheduled to take it up on September 22nd. However, proabort city officials think they can get it quickly passed with little notice this time around. But we're not going to let that happen!

The proposed resolution to be considered this Wednesday is **IDENTICAL** to the one that was pulled from the agenda last month. Once again, Proposed Resolution No. 21-R-30 is entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING LEGISLATIVE EFFORTS TO PROTECT AND STRENGTHEN FLORIDA CITIZENS' RIGHT TO REPRODUCTIVE HEALTHCARE INCLUDING ABORTION." You may read the entire resolution <u>HERE</u>.

The push for this resolution is part of a larger local strategy that pro-abortion forces are trying here in our Sunshine State. Just last Wednesday, October 20, 2021, the Coral Springs City Commission (in northern Broward County) passed a similar pro-abortion resolution. The vote was very close: 3 city commissioners in favor and 2 city commissioners opposed. Florida Voice for the Unborn sent-out a statewide Grassroots Action Alert the day prior to the vote, encouraging supporters (outside of Coral Springs) to tell Coral Springs City Commissioners that they would boycott the city in the future, if the city commissioners passed the pro-abortion resolution.

During the Coral Springs City Commission's debate on the resolution, one city commissioner noted the threat of a boycott and that the city commission had been inundated with over 100 e-mails and phone calls about the resolution. Other city commissioners also said that they had read every e-mail that was sent to them about the resolution. Florida Voice for the Unborn's ally, Broward Right to Life, was present at the meeting and half the individuals who spoke about the resolution were against it. Based on the debate that unfolded at last week's Coral Springs City Commission meeting, I believe that the two commissioners who voted against it were persuaded to do so because of the overwhelming opposition to it from residents – and due to the threat of a boycott from potential visitors.

I think we can stop Proposed Resolution No. 21-R-30 from passing the Tallahassee City Commission. However, in the next two days, we have to redouble our efforts. I'm asking you, as a Tallahassee-area supporter of Florida Voice for the Unborn, to contact all five (5) of the Tallahassee City Commissioners (again) via e-mail and phone, clearly expressing your continued opposition to the resolution. I'm also asking you to re-contact representatives of Gaines Street Pies, which is co-owned by Tallahassee City Commissioner/Mayor Pro Tem Jeremy Matlow, to let them know that you will BOYCOTT Gaines Street Pies, if Mr. Matlow votes in favor of the pro-abortion resolution.

I will be speaking at this Wednesday's Tallahassee City Commission meeting. We need every single pro-life resident to do so as well! There are two options. You can show-up in person (very limited spots due to so-called COVID-19 protocols). The address is: City Hall, 300 S. Adams St., Tallahassee, FL 32301. The second option is to appear at the meeting "virtually." I've chosen the second option in order to guarantee my speaking spot. You may sign-up to speak virtually by CLICKING HERE. Please note that the deadline to sign-up for speaking virtually is 9 p.m. on Tuesday, October 26th. The meeting is scheduled to start at 3 p.m. this Wednesday and could last several hours. The resolution's consideration is listed on the agenda as item No. 11.04. However, citizen input will be taken on all agenda items near the beginning of the meeting. The more people who speak out against the proabortion resolution, the better!

Here, again, are some suggested talking points when speaking at the meeting – and when contacting the Tallahassee City Commission members via e-mail and phone (I've added one about divisiveness):

- Proposed Resolution No. 21-R-30 is unnecessary and factually inaccurate.
- The texts of our federal and state constitutions say absolutely nothing about a "right" to accessing abortion.
- · Abortion is not healthcare; it is homicide.
- Abortion is never safe for the child in the womb who suffers a horrible death; abortion is also very often unsafe for women as well.
- Encouraging violence against helpless babies in the womb is unbecoming of elected city officials.
- The city commission has a duty to build unity within the community; the commission's proposed resolution is severely divisive.
- Tallahassee should transform itself into a sanctuary city for the unborn, where every life is cherished.

Also, don't forget to tell them that 1) you are a supporter of Florida Voice for the Unborn and 2) you are a resident of Tallahassee and, therefore, one of their constituents!

Here, again, are the e-mail addresses for all five (5) City Commissioners:

<u>mayor@talgov.com</u>; <u>jack.porter@talgov.com</u>; <u>jeremy.matlow@talgov.com</u>; <u>curtis.richardson@talgov.com</u>; <u>dianne.williams-cox@talgov.com</u>

You may "cut and paste" all five e-mail addresses into a new message, or to e-mail each individually just click on each address above. Either way, be sure to express your opposition to the proposed pro-abortion resolution.

Here, again, are the phone numbers for all five (5) City Commissioners:

Mayor John Dailey (Seat 4): 850-891-2000

Mayor Pro-Tem Jeremy Matlow (Seat 3): 850-294-7164 [aide Ryan Ray] Comm. Jacqueline "Jack" Porter (Seat 1): 850-891-8191 [aide Kristellys Estanga]

Comm. Curtis Richardson (Seat 2): 850-891-8240 [aide Akhenaton Thomas] Comm. Dianne Williams-Cox (Seat 5): 850-891-8502 [aide Towanda Davila-Davis]

Finally, below is the contact info for Mayor Pro-Tem Jeremy Matlow's Gaines Street Pies (remember, tell these managers that you are with Florida Voice for the Unborn and that you will NOT be patronizing this pizza business, if Mr. Matlow votes in favor of the pro-abortion resolution). UPDATE: Apparently, the e-mail addresses previously provided are no longer working, so I am only providing phone numbers this time around:

Co-Owner Ryan Smith or Manager Kayla: 850-765-9275

Manager Jen: 850-329-2141 Manager Michael: 850-765-4120

Let's remain more committed to protecting our unborn brothers and sisters than

the other side is to seeing them murdered.

Accordingly, "Let us not grow tired of doing good, for in due time we shall reap our harvest, if we do not give up." Galatians 6:9.

Thank you for taking the time (again) to contact all of the officials/individuals above!

P.S. If you were forwarded this e-mail, sign-up to receive Florida Voice for the Unborn's Grassroots Action Alerts by <u>CLICKING HERE</u>.

P.P.S. To help financially support Florida Voice for the Unborn's efforts, please CLICK HERE.

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