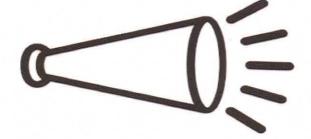
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#### Dear Friend of the Unborn:

This is the follow-up to my e-mail message earlier this week. In this communication, Florida Voice for the Unborn is urging all of our supporters to help move forward **House Bill 1519 (Complete Protections for Unborn Children from Abortion)**, as we prepare for our in-person Lobby Day at the Capitol on the afternoon of Wednesday, February 7th.

Also, please find below our announcement concerning additional exciting speakers and special guests for our Pro-Life Rally and Press Conference on the front steps of the Florida Supreme Court, from 9 a.m. to ~10:30 a.m. on the

morning of February 7th!

So let's begin with the new information about the Florida Supreme Court event!

#### February 7th Rally and Press Conference at the Florida Supreme Court

At the very hour that the Florida Supreme Court will be hearing oral arguments on whether to disqualify the abortion industry's misleading pro-abortion constitutional amendment from appearing on the November 2024 General Election ballot, we will be rallying and praying for Attorney General Ashley Moody's legal team and our conservative justices.

Moreover, we will be adding some additional prayers for the Court to speedily issue its written decision on the legal challenge to the 15-Week Abortion Ban. That written decision, in turn, will trigger 2023's Heartbeat Protection Act to take effect. The fact is, right now, all over Florida – every day – hundreds of babies are continuing to be killed in abortions up until 15-weeks' gestation.

As announced previously, the keynote speaker for our Florida Supreme Court Rally is the legendary pro-life warrior **Frank Pavone**, the founder and long-time passionate leader of the national pro-life organization **Priests for Life**. Mr. Pavone remains one of the most dynamic pro-life speakers in the country – and we are blessed to have him speaking at our Rally!

In addition, to Mr. Pavone I am ecstatic to announce today that pro-life champion Rep. Webster Barnaby (R–District 29, Volusia County) and the new Florida regional coordinator for Students for Life of America, Kristen Wayne, will also be speaking at the Rally!

Additionally, there will be communal prayer interspersed throughout the Rally!

The Press Conference will begin shortly after the conclusion of the oral arguments inside the Court, which we expect to occur around 10 a.m. At that time, we will ask all attendees to line-up on the front steps of the Court behind the podium/microphone, holding our bright new signs so that the speakers can directly address the assembled media – and we are expecting local, state, and national reporters all to be there!

As previously announced, the main speaker for the Press Conference is **Mat Staver**, the founder and chairman of **Liberty Counsel**, which is a nationally-prominent Christian nonprofit that is dedicated to promoting and defending religious freedom, the sanctity of human life, and the family. Mr. Staver will assist Florida's Solicitor General in arguing the case before the Florida Supreme Court that very morning.

In addition to Mr. Staver and the other pro-life leaders gathered for the event, we will be joined at the Press Conference by pro-life stalwarts **Rep. Mike Beltran** (R–District 70, Hillsborough and Manatee Counties) and **Rep. Randy** 

Fine (R-District 33, Brevard County).

At the conclusion of the Press Conference, I will be making an <u>exclusive</u> <u>announcement</u> about **Florida Voice for the Unborn's** continued efforts to combat the proposed pro-abortion amendment should the Florida Supreme Court fail to disqualify it from the ballot!

Florida Voice for the Unborn's Rally and Press Conference at the Florida Supreme Court are being co-sponsored by nine (9) other different Florida-based pro-life groups: Priests for Life, Liberty Counsel, Family for LIFE, Florida Preborn Rescue, Suncoast Catholics, Jacksonville for Life, Students for Life Action, I-4 Corridor Catholics, and Pro-Life Action Ministries Central Florida.

This broad coalition, from various wings of the pro-life movement, demonstrates our united opposition to the abortion industry's extreme proposal to enshrine the right to abortion (until birth) in our state's governing document.

An updated event flyer with the new co-sponsorships can be found via our website by <u>CLICKING HERE</u>. (The link to the original event flyer also still works – so no worries if you have forwarded our e-mail from earlier this week).

The best place to park for the Florida Supreme Court event (500 South Duval Street) remains the nearby Kleman Parking Garage Plaza (306 S. Duval Street). If you are coming from the Catholic Days breakfast at the Civic Center, the Court is just a few blocks away.

We are encouraging all attendees to arrive as quickly as possible by 9 a.m., so that you will be able to hear all of our fantastic speakers, <u>pray publicly</u> for the DEFEAT of this evil pro-abortion constitutional amendment, and be in position for our very important Press Conference. Please remember to dress in layers, as February mornings in Tallahassee can be chilly!

We're expecting a large pro-life crowd! I hope to see you there!

P.S. If you haven't already done so, please RSVP via our website by <u>CLICKING</u> HERE!

### <u>URGENT Grassroots Action Alert: House Bill 1519 (Complete Protections for Unborn Children from Abortion)!</u>

As extensively outlined in Florida Voice for the Unborn's January 10th e-update, which you can find archived <u>HERE</u>, pro-life champion **Rep. David Borrero** (R—District 111, Miami-Dade County) filed House Bill (HB) 1519 just before the start of this year's annual Legislative Session. The bill would protect unborn children from the moment of conception by outlawing all abortions in Florida. Like all similar laws in abortion-free states, such as Texas, there is an exception when the mother's life is in mortal danger.

HB 1519 has been assigned to three House committees/subcommittees. It has not been heard (yet) in its first subcommittee of reference. It also does not have a companion bill in the Senate, which makes things more difficult, but not impossible.

HB 1519 has Florida Voice for the Unborn's TOTAL and COMPLETE support!

While we recognize it faces an uphill battle even in a supermajority "pro-life" Republican Legislature, here's the plain truth. If Governor Ron DeSantis wants this bill to move forward, it will. If he does not, it will not go anywhere. Accordingly, we have a two-pronged strategy to get HB 1519 moving.

First, we are focusing on getting a hearing for HB 1519 in its first subcommittee of reference: the **Healthcare Regulation Subcommittee**. I have contacted the chair of this subcommittee, **Rep. Michele Salzman** (R–District 1, Escambia County), as well as House leadership. Rep. Salzman is a close ally of Governor DeSantis and even flew to lowa to campaign for him in the lowa Presidential Caucuses.

And that leads us to the second part of our strategy, which is directly urging Governor DeSantis and his key aides to get the ball rolling on HB 1519.

So, in this Grassroots Action Alert, Florida Voice for the Unborn is requesting all pro-lifers to contact the following individuals by way of phone and e-mail, as soon as possible!

House Healthcare Regulation Subcommittee Chair Rep. Michelle Salzman: **850-717-5001** 

House Healthcare Regulation Subcommittee Vice-Chair Kim Berfield (R–Pinellas County): **850-717-5058** 

House Speaker Paul Renner (R-Palm Coast): 850-717-5019

Governor DeSantis' Director of Legislative Affairs Peter Cuderman: **850-717-9238** (Please note this is the direct number for Cuderman's secretary.)

Here are the key e-mail addresses (with semicolons separating them) for the Chair and Vice-Chair of the House Healthcare Regulation Subcommittee, House Speaker Renner, and their aides – as well as key members of Governor Ron DeSantis' Executive Office:

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Based on whatever works best with your own e-mail account, please cut and paste the addresses above into your "to" header in a separate message.

Don't forget to include a subject matter, such as "Please Add HB 1519 to the Healthcare Regulation Subcommittee's Next Meeting Agenda," and include this simple talking point in the body of the message (and/or anything else you feel will be persuasive and appropriate):

"I am a supporter of Florida Voice for the Unborn. I respectfully request that House Bill 1519 be added to the agenda of the next scheduled meeting of the House Healthcare Regulation Subcommittee. It is long-past time that Florida join with nearly a dozen other states in protecting all unborn children from the moment of conception. Thank you!"

Alternatively, you may click on each individual e-address above to send separate messages! If you'd like to, please feel free to Cc or Bcc my e-mail address when you send your message: andrew@floridavoicefortheunborn.com

Please note that I've double-checked all e-addresses and phone numbers. Occasionally, I may still make a mistake and an e-address or two might bounce back. If that happens (for whatever reason), do not worry – rather, be assured that you're still reaching the vast majority of the intended recipients.

#### February 7th Lobby Day at the Capitol

If you will be sticking around after our Florida Supreme Court event to participate in our in-person Lobby Day at the Capitol, here is the relevant information that you need.

All those who requested individual appointments with their own representatives and senators will be receiving a separate e-mail from me with the appropriate information in the next day or two. At this time, we cannot facilitate any further

individual appointments due to time constraints. Thank you for your understanding.

At the Florida Supreme Court event, Florida Voice for the Unborn will be distributing a double-sided sheet with talking points concerning our priority bills, with our main focus being HB 1519. Whether or not you have a scheduled appointment with the legislators that represent you, we will be encouraging you to take a sheet and walk over to the Capitol complex (which is directly across from the Florida Supreme Court) and hand deliver it to the office of your representative and senator. There will be a place on the sheet for you to sign your name, write your address, and state that you are the legislator's constituent. So, please bring a pen with you and know beforehand which legislators in both chambers represent you.

If you do not have time to walk over to the Capitol that day, take a sheet anyway and mail it to your legislator. The Capitol office addresses for all legislators will be included on the back of the sheet.

Thank you to all for your prayers, financial assistance, and your active participation!

In closing, please contact the officials listed above regarding HB 1519, RSVP for the big Florida Supreme Court event this Wednesday, and get prepared ahead of time for Florida Voice for the Unborn's in-person Lobby Day!

February 7th will be an awesome day of pro-life activism in Tallahassee, on behalf of our voiceless unborn brothers and sisters!

With God's guiding hand, we will overcome every obstacle to DEFEAT the evil proposed pro-abortion constitutional amendment and truly "Make Florida Totally Abortion Free"!

For Their Lives,



Andrew Shirvell, J.D. Founder & Executive Director Florida Voice for the Unborn

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