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OUR CULTURE COMPELS WOMEN TO SEEK ABORTION

The time has come for Canadians to discuss the abortion issue. This discussion must include a sense of compassion for both victims of abortion—the women who have suffered abortion, and their lost children. Discussion must be based on science, and the unpleasant truths regarding the actual practice of abortion and the abortion industry.

We have tiptoed around this subject and turned a blind eye to it. However, contrary to what the Left wants us to believe, the abortion issue is far from "settled" in this country. In January 1988 five justices of the Supreme Court of Canada—for various reasons, struck down the abortion law in the *Criminal Code* in *R. v. Morgentaler*. In doing so, the only thing the five justices could agree on was that a woman's right to "security of the person" in the Charter meant that her equality rights according to this provision were violated by the cumbersome therapeutic abortion committee scheme in effect at that time.

The court did not say that the Charter provided a "fundamental" and open-ended "constitutional" right to abortion. On the contrary, the court encouraged Parliament to draft a new law on abortion conforming to the Charter, on the basis that the state had an interest in protecting fetal life. Even feminist Justice Bertha Wilson, the only woman on the court, following the now discredited U.S. Roe v. Wade logic, concluded that the state had an interest in protecting fetal life and that "greater weight should be given to the state's interest in the later stages of pregnancy than in the earlier."In 1990, the government of Prime Minister Brian Mulroney introduced Bill C-43 on abortion. Although it passed the House of Commons on a free-vote of 140 to 131, it failed in the Senate. No government since then has introduced a bill to regulate abortion. As a result, there are no government restrictions on any type of abortion in Canada to this day.

Since the regulation of abortion was struck down in *Morgentaler*, hundreds of thousands of women have been manipulated and exploited by the abortion industry for both profit, and convenience. That is, in our narcissistic culture, pregnant women are being persuaded to obtain an abortion rather than to seek alternatives. They are misled to believe that an abortion is merely a simple medical procedure like many others, with no medical, emotional, or moral consequences.

CANADIAN ABORTION STATISTICS

Shockingly, we do not have adequate/up-to-date statistics about taxpayer funded abortion in Canada. Statistics Canada was responsible for disseminating statistics on abortion until 2007, when the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI) was given the responsibility. In 2019, CIHI statistics disclosed data from only 47% of Canadian hospitals, but no data from abortion clinics because the latter are not required to provide this information. The limited 2019 data did reveal however, that 16% of hospital abortions were repeat abortions and that 9% were two or more repeat abortions. The total number of abortions in Canada remains unknown because not only abortions performed in abortion clinics, but also chemical abortions (do-it-yourself-abortions) are not included in the statistics. Clearly, there is no transparency on the funding and prevalence of abortion, perhaps deliberately so.

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ABORTION HAS CHANGED CANADA

Abortion has dramatically changed this country. For example, it has led to few babies being available for adoption. This has caused couples to resort to expensive foreign adoptions or surrogacy both here and abroad. Why are we killing healthy babies in Canada when there is such a demand to adopt them?

Many women feel trapped, abused, terrified, and alone in a crisis pregnancy and in need of support. Women faced with a seemingly unwanted pregnancy are deserving of compassion, information regarding alternatives to abortion and support. So, why is such support cut off from them since, in six of Canada's ten provinces, the Abortion Bubble Zone laws protect the abortion industry's profits, not the needs of women? Moreover, such information and support is now being further threatened by the Trudeau government's recent move to strip charitable (tax-exempt) status from prolife agencies who provide crisis pregnancy services.

ABORTION CLINICS

Abortion clinics claim they exist to "help" women but their primary interest is in making a profit. Clinics do not counsel women on alternatives to abortion, they refuse to return the money if the woman does change her mind, and continually pressure her to proceed with the abortion by providing misleading information as to its risks and consequences. To maintain its profits, the abortion industry requires a steady stream of pregnant seek abortions rather than its alternatives. This gives rise to the deceptions and lies about abortion which are necessary to deceive a woman.

MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR BUSINESS

Abortion clinics are a multi-billion dollar business, making money not only from the abortion procedure, but also from the gruesome practice of selling baby body parts for research to both universities and drug companies. The "harvest of body parts" is used to research new drugs, including COVID vaccines, as well to literally make "humanized mice" with genetic material derived from aborted babies which are in turn used in drug research. In addition, these body parts are being used for organ transplants.

Abortion is also useful for depopulation purposes. Canada's birthrate is 1.4 births *per* woman of child-bearing age, which is the lowest in Canadian history. The replacement fertility rate is 2.1 births *per* woman for most developed countries. This is a warning sign about the ugly truth about Canada's future.

ABORTION BENEFITS MEN

Some men do not want their child destroyed by abortion. Sadly, however, these male voices are regarded as irrelevant. In 1989, the Supreme Court of Canada, in the Tremblay v. Daigle, held that abortion was a woman's decision only. There are some men however, who are unwilling to accept the consequences of the sexual act. These include fathers, boyfriends and husbands who want the abortion for their own advantage — their reputation and pocket books, as well as relief from responsibility. In effect, they want no part of or responsibility for the pregnancy, and pressure and coerce women to have an abortion - all paid for by provincial health insurance. It is the woman and her aborted child however, who endure the blood and the pain. The complicit man experiences no discomfort. How is this the "equality" claimed by feminist leaders?

The easy availability of abortion encourages sexual recklessness and irresponsibility. It encourages and facilitates women to be non-fertile, defining their relationships solely in terms of being a non-child bearing one, often with an uncommitted male partner.

CHEMICAL, DIY ABORTIONS BY DRUGS

Despite arguments that abortions must be made "legal", i.e., unrestricted, in order to prevent backstreet abortions, women are now expected to have private, "backstreet" abortions in their own homes, without medical care. The pregnant woman swallows the drugs, endures the pain, the bleeding and the disposal of the child alone. Admissions of women to hospital emergency rooms have skyrocketed since Do-It-Yourslef (DIY) abortions became available. This is not surprising since the deliberate killing and expelling of the child from her body is a most unpleasant experience and a fundamentally unnatural act. Sepsis, haemorrhaging, and incomplete abortions are the result, as well as a dead child. According to a British report in 2020, more than 10,000 women required hospital care after a DIY abortion.

A study released in November 2021, by the U.S. based Charlotte-Loisier Institute found that abortion-related emergency room visits following the abortion pill regime increased more than 500% between 2002–2015. It is known that there were at least 26 deaths of women in the U.S. from chemical abortions.

Complications of abortion, whether from surgical or DIY abortions, are not reported by women in hospital emergency rooms, who claim instead that they have had a "miscarriage". Without proper information on the real source of the emergency there is an increase in risk for women, leading to an increase in the number of hospitalizations.

HOW CANADA'S ABORTION CULTURE WAS ACHIEVED

One does not need a Ph.D. in biology to know that within a pregnant woman, there is a growing, separate, distinct, human being. The feminist slogan, "her body, her choice" is mindless, and totally unscientific since a new, unique and unrepeatable human is created at conception. That human being has:

- a DNA different from the mother's
- often a blood type different from the mother's
- a unique set of fingerprints
- in around 50% of cases, the sex is different from the mother's.

Our abortion culture advises a pregnant woman that her career, her pleasures, and her future life take precedence over the child's life. It convinces her that she must obtain an abortion in order to protect herself. The narrative that abortion is a reasonable decision is designed to prevent the woman from realizing the truth of what she is doing. Simply put, our narcissistic culture insists that abortion is a rational and acceptable decision and that to suggest otherwise is contemptible. This is why the mainstream media and the woke culture hate the pro-life voice, as it refuses to play their game of dishonesty. In other words, for the abortion culture to succeed, the truth about abortion must be cancelled, and the pretense that abortion is a positive, reasonable response to an unexpected pregnancy must be upheld. It is a one-way street no balance, no fairness, no respect for the value and dignity of the woman or her child, with no rights at all for the child. It's time for the lies to stop. It's time for an open, compassionate and humane debate on the issue of abortion.

BREAKING THROUGH THE ABORTION CULTURE

We are bombarded with propaganda and lies on abortion, designed to manipulate and persuade women to go through with one. This is an era of "fake news", spin and outright government/institutional lies, and is especially so in regard to abortion. We are also living in a narcissistic culture of death. It is a culture which cries out for change because many people inwardly sense that the culture of death leads only to despair and self-destruction.

CHANGING THE CULTURE

Some may think that culture change is too big a task to take on. Yet it may be no more difficult than simply speaking the truth and thereby exposing the lies on which the Culture of Death relies to survive.

Of all the lies promoted by today's abortion culture, perhaps the biggest is that women "need" abortion to be equal to men in order to achieve "successful" careers. The truth is that women are not men. We are different biologically, emotionally and psychologically. Yet, we are supposed to pretend that women can walk away with indifference from

a pregnancy to preserve their careers. Few women, however, are indifferent to the effects of an abortion.

We denigrate women when we offer them only abortion by warning them that a woman can't have both a successful career and be a successful mother. Many thousands of women have shown otherwise.

We should acknowledge too, that many women do not want a career outside the home. Rather, they find fulfilment in motherhood and raising a family. This career choice should be appreciated and supported. Women who choose home over office are deserving of our respect and support.

True empowerment of women must also entail supporting women through a pregnancy so that whatever her "career", both she and her child can flourish.

REFUSAL TO ASSIST WOMEN

Narcissistic Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau, wrapped up in the blind ideology of the culture of death only understands abortion on simplistic terms, *i.e.*, that it be readily and easily available for women

for whatever reason. In contrast, a sane, caring and compassionate government would provide a support system for pregnant women in a difficult situation by providing them with real, viable alternatives, *e.g.*, parenting support (both financial and emotional).

However, instead of ensuring that women have access to information regarding viable alternatives to abortion, the Liberal government is trying to destroy access to such information as provided by pregnancy crisis centres by eliminating their charitable status claiming that pregnancy crisis centres are providing "dishonest counselling to women." (Liberal Party 2021 Platform, Forward. For Everyone., p. 4). The purpose of this is to eliminate dissent from his policies on abortion. It is pro-life pregnancy crisis centres that offer alternatives to women with the provision of "accurate, judgement free and evidence-based" information - they are the only agencies speaking the truth and providing compassionate assistance.

PROVINCIAL LEADERSHIP REQUIRED ON THE ABORTION ISSUE

A province, under the *Constitution Act*, 1867 has responsibility for the establishment, maintenance, and management of hospitals and health care.

Accordingly, it is entirely within provincial competence to implement policies on abortion since it is a health issue which falls under its jurisdiction. Consequently, the provinces can

- Legally provide waiting periods before an abortion is performed to provide women with time to reflect before the fatal act is carried out.
- Provide ultrasound in order to ensure that women have full and complete knowledge of what is taking place during the abortion—the death of a human person.
- Provide objective facts on the child's development in the womb.
- Discourage, if not ban, the practice of sexselective abortions (a girl in the womb should not be a reason for abortion).
- Provide funds for the provision of financial support for housing during and after pregnancy.
 This would make a difference for women who may feel abandoned, lost and alone in their difficulty.
- Provide funding for many more crisis pregnancy centres and actively promote them.
- Statistical transparency on publicly funded

abortion. The hidden and murky abortion business must be exposed.

Data from public hospitals as well as abortion clinics and chemical drug induced abortions must be made available. Such data should include: age of woman undergoing abortion; age/sex of baby aborted; disposition of baby's remains, e.g. recipients of the remains (were they used in medical or pharmaceutical research), and whether the remains were sold and for how much; was the woman who underwent the abortion aware of the baby's disposition and did she give her consent to it, if so, on what terms; reason for abortion; number of times woman has undergone the procedure; whether ultrasound was provided to the mother before the procedure; and the nature and availability of alternative counselling provided to her.

Data should also be made available regarding the number and location of abortion clinics in each province and number and location of each pregnancy crisis centre. Pregnancy crisis centres should, by the way, also provide annual statistics on the number of women seen, their ages, number of ultrasounds given, types and quantities of assistance given, i.e., pregnancy tests, diapers and cribs, parenting classes, medical care, post-abortion support, etc.

These ideas are not new. They are policies that some U.S. states have implemented with great success, as evidenced by the reduction in abortion rates in those states.

TURNING THE TIDE

Nearly fifty years ago, the United States Supreme Court decided that *Roe* v. *Wade* settled the abortion issue. However, in June 2022, the same Court admitted that it was not a settled matter after all in that abortion was not a constitutional right for women, and returned the issue for regulation by the state legislatures.

This ruling caused an earthquake through the abortion industry, and the Left in general. It did so because the decision exposed the judicial arrogance and faulty reasoning of the U.S. Supreme Court's former decision. Fifty years of campaigning for the pro-life policies was a contributing factor in the remarkable change in U.S. public opinion on abortion. Americans largely supported *Roe* v. *Wade* when it was decided in 1973, but supportive pro-Life policies have led to the population in recent years gaining a deeper understanding of abortion. This is reflected in their support for overturning *Roe* v. *Wade*,

according to polls. Canadians should take heart in the realization that the Morgentaler decision (1988), like the Roe v. Wade decision was not carved in stone. The Morgentaler decision is ripe for reconsideration and overturning as there are significant legal arguments that make the decision vulnerable to legal challenge. It will be set aside when the time is right to do so. The time is ripe now, however, to define the terms of the debate on abortion in terms of human life, unborn children, children in the womb who can feel pain and who instinctively react to avoid the abortionist's instruments of death. It is time to recognize abortion for what it is—the ending of a distinct human being. "Potential life" means only the ovum and semen before they are united, but once united, it is human life, full of potential and possibilities—not only in the womb but during its whole life, fully deserving of respect and protections.

The present status quo, offering only access to abortion may be convenient for the fanatical Trudeau government in Ottawa, the left-wing mainstream media, and feminists. But the time is long overdue for our society to provide for the needs of women and their unborn children, no longer the interests of the abortion industry, irresponsible women and men, and the progressive woke culture.

Our current ruthless, insensitive, totalitarian attitude towards women and abortion, which is indifferent to the suffering and pain of both women and unborn children, must stop. We must move on and deal with pregnancies in a civilized, caring way. A culture change must now make this happen. •

WHERE FEMINISTS WENT WRONG

The trouble with feminists is that they don't understand women. Their big mistake is that they treat women as a group that shares their particular perspective and interests. Women, however, just like men, can think for themselves. They have different life experiences and have differing values, based on their social, educational, religious, cultural and economic backgrounds. Feminism is only one thread in the multicoloured fabric that comprises women's views.

The feminist assumption that women are all similar is an assault on women's intelligence, integrity and personal dignity.

Because of this misunderstanding, feminists have never put down roots in Canada and instead have remained detached and remote from the lives of most women. It is a self-evident truth that all women want fairness and equality. However, the feminist concepts are merely layered onto women, and don't penetrate their psyche because the concepts do not touch the reality of their lives.

Feminists have been sustained over the years by the "progressive", left-wing mainstream media which never find fault with their policies. Their articles on women mostly deal with successful female CEOs and entrepreneurs. Their only other narrative on women is in regard to those who are "victims". Feminists receive enormous funding from the federal government. For example, Justin Trudeau has poured millions of

dollars into feminist causes and their organizations, by way of Parliament's Status of Women Agency, now renamed Women and Gender Equality (WAGE). This agency received \$31 million in 2014-2015, but under Justin Trudeau, its funding increased to \$160 million in the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

Feminists consist of only a relatively small group of elitist women, usually white and well educated, whose objective is power and influence.

Their objective, however, has nothing to do with most women, which would include women in low-paying jobs and minority women who may be employed in Shoppers Drug Mart, Walmart or in restaurants, and who are struggling to keep their families fed, housed, and clothed. They work, not for power and position, but out of necessity.

Most women's lives are not centered on the fulfillment of their careers, but centre around their children and their families which provide them with happiness and security. Consequently, most women are on a completely different page than the feminists. They do not want to live their lives on the fast track, or make the sacrifices required to become a CEO. Their worlds do not connect.

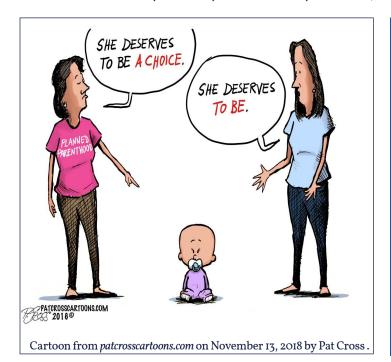
Moreover, most women do not see their lives pitted in a struggle against men as do the feminists, who accuse men of discrimination against them. Women have fathers, brothers and sons with whom their lives are entwined, and who provide them with support, and meaning and purpose in their lives. To them, the so-called evils of patriarchy are a farce and meaningless.

Simply put, feminists have failed to reach out to ordinary women, whether in the workforce or in the home. This is evident by their policies that largely centre around employment.

- Feminists are keen to get women into the workplace, away from the home where they believe women's abilities are being wasted. Consequently, feminists enthusiastically endorse abortion so that a child will not interfere with a woman's life or work. For the same reason, feminists insist on a national child care plan for children to be looked after by others in order to free up women for employment. They insist that a woman's job be kept open after giving birth so that she will be quickly and efficiently integrated back into the labour force. It is as though nothing has happened to the woman in the meantime. But a baby makes all the difference to a woman's life. In short, feminists are not interested in family and any responsibilities that interfere with women's ability to participate in the workplace.
- Feminists have remained silent about the brutal treatment of women in Afghanistan under the Taliban, where women's education must stop at Grade VI, where they cannot appear in public unless accompanied by a male family member,

- and must remain fully covered, face included, in a burka. Positions of leadership and responsibility are denied to women in that country.
- Feminists ignored the concerns of women from the developing countries at the UN International Conference of Women in 1995 in Beijing, which was supposed to be all about women worldwide. Women from the developing countries sought only basic needs, such as clean water, nourishment, medical care, and education. Instead, the Beijing Plan of Action (drafted by feminists in New York) promoted only Western, feminist values. For example, the document mentioned nutrition only twice, and only referenced health care as it related to "reproductive health", a code word for abortion.
- Feminists remain unmoved by and silent at the exploitation of poor women involved in surrogacy procedures and by sex selection abortions, which have killed millions of female babies in countries such as China and India. There is not a peep about these atrocities against women.

The bottom line is that feminists are focused on themselves and their accession to power and influence. Consequently, they don't identify with most women. Their elite leaders prefer to cancel the lives, opinions, needs, and the very existence of women who do not share their advantages. This is why most women do not connect with feminism. •



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When preparing your Will, please consider assisting REAL Women by making a bequest to our organization so that we can continue with our crucial work.

DECRIMINALIZATION OF MARIJUANA IS CREATING SERIOUS PROBLEMS

incidence of suicide, and

The Trudeau government and the left-wing, mainstream media have been gloating that the decriminalization of marijuana on October 17, 2018 was a smashing success.

This is a shocking fabrication -even for them. They know better, but are deliberately covering up the problems that have arisen.

The public should be aware of the deep problems that are arising due to the "progressive" decision by Trudeau to decriminalize marijuana use:

for drugs".

• A report by the Department of Public Safety (May 2022), stated that charges for drug impaired driving have jumped 43% since the legalization of marijuana. According to the report, "drug impaired driving is a major contributor to fatal drug crashes and young people continue to be the largest group of drivers who die in crashes and test positive

In addition, it stated that drinking and driving charges in regard to alcohol usually occur during the evening hours, i.e. peak in the twilight hours, but that drug impaired driving occurs at any time during the day and night, which makes monitoring difficult.

- Online black market drug dealers are selling marijuana than federally-licensed distributors, according to the Department of Public Safety report. It suggests that criminal gangs have prospered since marijuana was legalized because of the advantage given to black market drug dealers due to "the recent appearance of legitimacy, and the ease of payments that favour the online, illicit market over the street level market".
- Statistics Canada issued a report (April 21, 2021) that marijuana use by Canadians in 2020 was 20%, which had been at 14% prior to legalization. Daily use of marijuana has increased to 7.9% from 6.1% in 2019 and from 5.4% in 2018.

- Recent studies have indicated cannabis use in adolescents has been associated with altering their neuro-development, increased incidence of suicide, and increased rate of schizophrenia.
- Adolescents are more "Recent studies have indicated likely to become addicted to marijuana if they start using cannabis use in adolescents has it before 18 years of age. been associated with altering their Heavy marijuana use can lead neuro-development, increased cannabinoid hyperemesis syndrome, a condition that increased rate of schizophrenia." causes recurrent heavy, uncontrollable vomiting.
 - Accidental marijuana ingestion in young children has greatly increased since legalization.
 - On June 24, 2021, Toronto SickKids Hospital released a report indicating that unintended ingestion and intensive care admission was required for severe marijuana poisoning ... which has increased fourfold in children. The marijuana ingestion caused confusion. vomiting, behaviour change, seizures, respiratory difficulties, problems with coordination and balance, and even coma.
 - On January 7, 2022, a study by the Ottawa Hospital and University of Ottawa Department of Family Medicine which was published in JAMA (Journal of American Medical Association) Network Open indicated that there were nine times more emergency department visits for marijuana poisonings of Ontario children under ten years of age since legalization. The average age of these children was three years and nine months. The largest source of marijuana ingestion came from commercial marijuana edibles, such as gummy bears, brownies, and lollipops, all of which contain high amounts of marijuana. Symptoms are more severe in children because of their size and weight, which requires hospital admission.

A contributing factor to marijuana use today is the increased potency of THC (the main psychoactive component in marijuana) which is causing more mental and behavioural problems than occurred with marijuana previously used. •

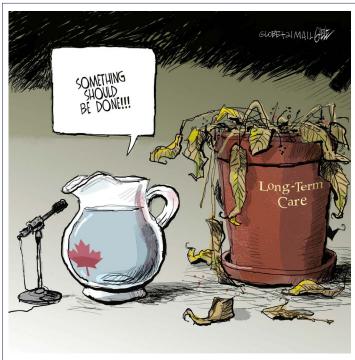
DO NOT EUTHANIZE (DNE) ADVANCED DIRECTIVE

The pro-death euthanasia organization, Death with Dignity, has spread its pro-death philosophy into hospitals and nursing homes. As a result, vulnerable—weak and ill—patients are being harassed to agree to have their lives terminated under the Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) Act.



To prevent this evil, the B.C. Delta Hospice Society has retained lawyers to prepare a Do Not Euthanize (DNE) Advanced Directive that can be used to deflect the pressure on the patient to be euthanized. These directives have been adapted for each individual province.

This document can be obtained from the Delta HospiceSocietywebsite: https://deltahospicesociety.org/about-us/do-not-euthanize-dne-advance-directive/. Its mailing address is: 1521-56 Street, Delta, BC V4L 2A9. †



"Something Should Be Done", Brian Gable, *Globe and Mail*, January 31, 2021

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear supporter of REAL Women of Canada:

Since our last issue of REALity, we have published two press releases and one Alert. On July 4, we sent out the press

release, <u>"Trudeau has Become Truly Dangerous to Democracy"</u>. On July 13, the press release, <u>"Misinformation by Foreign Funded Pro-Abortion Group Denounced"</u> was published. This addressed the issue of the pressure to end the charitable status for pregnancy help centres. On July 25, we sent out an ALERT, <u>"Pro-Life Movement Under Assault"</u>. We urged that you immediately contact your MP (regardless of party) and the Senators about this attempt by the Trudeau government to silence the pro-life voice in Canada.

We are so grateful for all our generous supporters. Now, more than ever, in these days of inflation, rising prices, and unemployment, it is difficult to donate to everyone. However, we respectfully ask, if you are able, that you will consider REAL Women of Canada as a worthy recipient of your charity, on an on-going basis if your finances allow. Thank you so much for whatever you can do to help us continue being your voice in issues that matter so much to Canadian families and women.

Warm regards,

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