

WALK FOR LIFE SUCCESS!



On Saturday, September 28th, the threat of rain couldn't keep away the 60 people who came out to participate in our Annual Walk for Life. To date, we have raised \$10, 880.00. We are deeply humbled and overjoyed by people's generosity. ■

LIFE CHAIN PARTICIPATION



A heartfelt thanks to the 65 people who came out to the 2019 Life Chain. Cambridge was one of 250 locations across Canada who came together to remind passersby that babies continue to die every day by abortion in our communities and that women deserve better than abortion. Your silent, peaceful witness and prayers do not go unnoticed! ■



CRTL has renamed its "Annual Protest Walk" to "Speak Up for Life Event." The purpose of this event is to commemorate the anniversary of the day the Supreme Court of Canada struck down Canada's abortion law and to speak to our elected representative (federal or provincial), about a timely pro-life issue. Although we are protesting the fact that pre-born children remain unprotected in law, we also feel it is equally important for constituents to convey a unified pro-life voice, so that elected representatives come to know that our vote seeks justice for the unborn. We hope this new name better reflects the purpose and intention of this event.

As you know, the issue of abortion dominated much of the 2019 election campaign, proving that abortion is **not** a settled issue in Canada, and many Canadians continue to want to address the lack of legal protection of preborn children. With the results of the election, pro-lifers have a lot of work to do.

So, please mark your calendar and join us for the 2020 "Speak Up For Life Event."

DATE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 24TH, 2020

LOCATION: MP BRYAN MAY'S OFFICE (534 HESPELER RD, CAMBRIDGE)

TIME 1:00 - 2:00 PM.

JOIN CRTL IN PROMOTING RESPECT FOR HUMAN LIFE.



- ☐ General Annual Membership \$20.00
☐ Donation to support the educational work of CRTL \$ _____

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IN CANADA, BABIES ARE BORN ALIVE AND DIE AFTER ABORTION PROCEDURES – 150 IN 2018

Babies born alive following abortion is not a new phenomenon in Canada. It has occurred since the 1969 abortion law was passed with an amendment made to the Criminal Code of Canada which allowed abortion under certain conditions. A 1975 brief by Alliance for Life presented to Parliament highlighted this often ignored outcome of abortion:

"For the past few years, there have been several hundred hysterotomies performed annually in Canadian hospitals. A hysterotomy, which is similar to a caesarean section, results in the delivery of a live child. The child is then left deliberately to die, a process that takes anywhere from a few minutes to several hours. Nurses are forbidden to



make any attempts to save the lives of these children."

A Vancouver Sun article from May 1974 reveals that an abortion was done on a woman because she was more than 40 years old and "distraught" at being pregnant at that age. The baby born alive weighed 2 ½ pounds, approximately the size of a six or seven months old fetus. The baby lived for 24 hours.

In another case, an alderman for Surrey, British Columbia said she was informed of a baby aborted at five months gestation at the Burnaby General Hospital. "That baby lived four hours after the abortion," she said.

From the same Vancouver Sun report, we also learn that in 1970

"a baby of 24 weeks (six months) was aborted, put in a pan and left to expire there."

In a 1976 brief, the Victoria Pro-Life Society recounted a horrific situation first reported in a news article from the Daily Colonist, Victoria B.C. dated April 5, 1972: "Dr. C.C. Merry, a pathologist at the Winnipeg General Hospital, found a baby boy whimpering in a garbage bag by the hospital incinerator waiting to be burned. He said those who take part in abortion become "blasé" to such occurrences and would not try to save the life of such a baby because the point of the abortion has been to destroy the life."

In 1985, a child was born in a Vancouver hospital after an abortion done at 26 weeks in Bellingham, Washington three days earlier. The mother came to the Vancouver General Hospital complaining of complications. A doctor scheduled a dilation and curettage for the next day as treatment for an incomplete abortion. However, the mother delivered her child at 3.am. The baby girl was born weighing less than two pounds. As the

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National Post reported in 1999, “Despite the baby crying and gasping for air, a nurse left the baby to die in a room used to store dead fetuses. The hospital’s supervising nurse came on the scene 40 minutes later and ordered a Code Blue – an emergency resuscitation of the baby”

The baby girl was later adopted after spending time in foster homes. Her name is Ximena Renaerts. Her adoptive mother sued the Vancouver General and obtained an out-of-court settlement to help provide for Ximena as she had cerebral palsy as well as an intellectual disability and required 24 hour care. The lawyer for Ximena argued according to the National Post that “the hospital was negligent for failing to keep Ximena warm, clear her airway and provide oxygen which caused the baby to suffer brain damage.”

We know that live births after abortion are still happening in Canada because of statistical reports. Late term abortions can be done via labour induction or saline solution. It is difficult to know how often hysterotomy is now employed as a method of abortion since it is not listed as a separate category in abortion statistics. The Canadian Institute for Health Information responsible for the compilation and publication of abortion statistics includes it in the category “other surgical procedures” which includes two other methods as well.

Much secrecy however surrounds what takes place when a child is born alive today after an abortion. Some hospitals say they provide comfort care. What happens in abortion clinics? Regardless of the method, children born alive after abortion should receive the same medical care that a premature infant of the same gestational age would receive.

A Quebec study of infant deaths between 1987 and 2012 published in 2016 in Neonatology found that prenatal testing had resulted in an increase in late term abortions leading to an increase in babies surviving abortions and dying a few hours later. The authors of the study noting a lack of clinical guidelines to deal with live births after abortion ask “How are such infants cared for? If not resuscitated, is palliative care provided? Are the infants admitted to neonatal units or do they die in the delivery room? Are parents informed if the fetus survives?”

Such questions require answers. Many in the pro-life movement have other questions. Are babies who survive abortions today offered only “comfort care” and intentionally denied care that would help them survive and grow? Is treatment withheld in order to cause their death? Are they simply left

to die? It’s worth mentioning that late abortions (after 20 weeks gestation) are also done for social reasons.

As for the 2018 statistics, Jonathan Van Maren reports at The Bridgehead: “One of Canada’s best pro-life bloggers is Pat Maloney, who writes at Run With Life and has consistently made use of Freedom of Access to Information Requests to uncover shocking and sobering information about Canada’s ugly abortion regime. Her work on the issue of babies born alive in Canada after abortions and left to die, and her research into the 491 babies that survived abortions and subsequently died between 2000 and 2009 triggered a National Post investigation and a call by Members of Parliament for RCMP involvement.

Research like Maloney’s is very inconvenient to the progressive narrative of a compassionately pro-choice country:

Live birth abortions continue to happen in Canada. Here are the latest numbers (2018) of late term abortions in Canada from CIHI. There were 910 late-term (20 weeks and greater) stillbirths and 150 born alive abortions. See below.

- > 20 of these born alive abortions were greater than 25 weeks gestation.
- > 107 of these born alive abortions were between 21 – 24 weeks gestation.
- > 23 of these born alive abortions were 20 weeks gestation.

Note: These are for hospital abortions only and do not include clinics or physician’s offices. These numbers also do not include late-term abortions done in Quebec.

The supporters of Canada’s abortion regime would like the discussion to be filled with rhetoric and devoid of facts—and they want to keep the babies who perish after being born out of sight, tucked away in medical bio-hazardous waste buckets or in dumpsters with lids shut tight. Maloney has reminded us once again that they were here, briefly, before dying before they could even see or enjoy this country that our politicians will spend the upcoming weeks bragging about. For them, the promise of Canada is a cruel joke.” ■

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Contact MP Bryan May to seek justice for the Canadians babies who survived abortion and were left to die. Write to: MP Bryan May, 534 Hespeler Rd., Unit A4, Cambridge, ON, N1R 6J7 or email: bryan.may@parl.gc.ca.

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JOIN CAMBRIDGE RIGHT TO LIFE FOR OUR 2019 AGM

Bring your own brown bag lunch and join us over the lunch hour to hear about our pro-life initiatives.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2019

12:00PM - 1:00PM

THE LEGION (4 VETERANS WAY, CAMBRIDGE)

If you are a current member of CRTL, you can nominate individuals to serve on the board.

AGM AGENDA

1. Meeting called to order
2. Acceptance of agenda
3. Reports
4. Report on Financial Statements 2018/19
5. Nominations from the floor/elections
6. Walk for Life Prizes
7. Meeting Adjournment

NOMINATION FORM

This form can be used by any current member of Cambridge Right to Life to nominate individuals to serve on the board of directors. The nominee must be contacted and agree to let his/her name stand. Please return the completed form to Cambridge Right to Life by November 20, 2019.

NOMINEE: _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 CITY: _____ PROV: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____
 PHONE: (W) _____ (H) _____
 NOMINATOR: _____ DATE: _____