



# **LIFESPAN**

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## **CANDIDATE SURVEY**

*LIFESPAN sent the following ten-question survey to each candidate for Governor, U.S. House of Representatives, State Senate, Michigan House of Representatives, County Commissioner and various other offices in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb Counties. Statements provided by candidates are on file at LIFESPAN's Main Office. Please call for further information. (A separate Judicial Candidate Survey was also mailed to candidates for Appeals, Circuit, District & Probate Courts. See pages 13-16.)*

1. The 1973 U.S. Supreme Court *Roe v. Wade* decision allows for abortion for any reason, even as a method of birth control, even in the late states of pregnancy. Do you **SUPPORT** the reversal of this decision?
2. Do you **SUPPORT** a law banning partial-birth abortions?
3. Some public funds are used for abortions or abortion referrals, such as funding for Planned Parenthood. Do you **OPPOSE** the use of public funds (i.e. Planned Parenthood) for abortion or abortion referrals?
4. Human embryonic stem cells and human fetal tissue are used in some medical experimentation which has no beneficial effects for the fetus. Would you **SUPPORT** legislation that would prohibit the use of embryonic stem cells and fetal tissue research, especially when the killing of the preborn child is necessary for this type of experimentation?
5. Would you **SUPPORT** a law banning so-called "reproductive cloning" - cloning meant to result in the birth of a baby?
6. Knowing that the removal of stem cells from human embryos results in the death of those embryos, would you **SUPPORT** a law banning so-called "therapeutic cloning" (somatic cell nuclear transfer)?
7. Do you **OPPOSE** laws allowing assisted suicide (so called "aid in dying")?
8. Do you **SUPPORT** honoring the wishes of patients who want life-saving treatment (including food and water) regardless of their degree of disability, age and "quality of life"?
9. Do you **SUPPORT** legislation that would protect health care professionals from being forced to distribute medications or provide medical care that violates their moral or religious beliefs?
10. Are you a member of a Pro-Life organization? If Yes, in 50 words or less, describe your pro-life support or activities.

*NOTE: LIFESPAN is not a political organization and does not endorse candidates for election. We have surveyed the candidates as a service to our members. The questionnaires are on file at LIFESPAN's Main Office for your perusal. If you need further verification on a candidate's stand on these or other issues, please contact the candidate directly.*

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**GOVERNMENTAL UNIT**

<b>WAYNE COUNTY</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>SS</b>	<b>SH</b>	<b>AC</b>	<b>CC</b>	<b>DC</b>
Allen Park City	12	4	13	1	3	24
Belleville City	12	6	21	1	3	34
Brownstown Twp.	12	6	23	1	3	33
Canton Twp.	11	7	20,21	1	3	35
Dearborn City	12	3	9,15	1	3	19
Dearborn Heights City	12,13	5	11,13	1	3	20
Detroit City	13,14	1-4	1-10	1	3	36
Ecorse City	13	1	6	1	3	25
Flat Rock City	12	6	17	1	3	33
Garden City	13	5	11	1	3	21
Gibraltar City	12	1	23	1	3	33
Grosse Ile Twp.	12	1	23	1	3	33
Grosse Pointe City	14	2	2	1	3	M
Grosse Pointe Farms City	14	2	2	1	3	M
Grosse Pointe Park City	14	2	2	1	3	M
Grosse Pointe Woods City	14	2	1	1	3	M
Hamtramck City	14	2	4	1	3	31
Harper Woods City	14	2	1	1	3	32A
Highland Park City	13	2	7	1	3	30
Huron Twp.	12	6	23	1	3	34
Inkster City	13	5	11	1	3	22
Lincoln Park City	12	4	14	1	3	25
Livonia City	11	7	11,19	1	3	16
Melvindale City	13	3	14	1	3	24
Northville City (see also Oakland Co.)	11	7	20	1	3	35
Northville Twp.	11	7	20	1	3	35
Plymouth City	11	7	20	1	3	35
Plymouth Twp.	11	7	20	1	3	35
Redford Twp.	13	5	10	1	3	17
River Rouge City	13	1	6	1	3	25
Riverview City	12	1	14	1	3	27
Rockwood City	12	1	17	1	3	33
Romulus City	13	6	12	1	3	34
Southgate City	12	4	13	1	3	28
Sumpter Twp.	12	6	17	1	3	34
Taylor City	12	6	12	1	3	23
Trenton City	12	1	23	1	3	33
Van Buren Twp.	12	6	12,21	1	3	34
Village of Grosse Pte. Shores City (see also Macomb Co.)	14	8	1	1	3	M
Wayne City	13	7	16	1	3	29
Westland City	13	6	11,16	1	3	18
Woodhaven City	12	1	23	1	3	33
Wyandotte City	12	1	14	1	3	27

M = Municipal Courts

**GOVERNMENTAL UNIT**

<b>MACOMB COUNTY</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>SS</b>	<b>SH</b>	<b>AC</b>	<b>CC</b>	<b>DC</b>
Armada Twp.	10	25	33	2	16	42
Bruce Twp.	10	8	36	2	16	42
Center Line City	9	9	28	2	16	37
Chesterfield Twp.	10	8	32	2	16	42
Clinton Twp.	9	10	24,31	2	16	41B
Eastpointe City	9	9	18	2	1	38
Fraser City	9	9	31	2	16	39
Harrison Twp.	10	8	24	2	16	41B
Lenox Twp.	10	8	33	2	16	42
Macomb Twp.	10	10	24	2	16	41A
Memphis City (see also St. Clair Co.)	10	25	35	2	16	42
Mt. Clemens City	9	8	31	2	16	41B
New Baltimore City	10	8	32	2	16	42
Ray Twp.	10	8	33	2	16	42
Richmond City (see also St. Clair Co.)	10	8	33	2	16	42
Richmond Twp.	10	25	33	2	16	42
Roseville City	9	9	22	2	16	39
Shelby Twp.	10	8	30	2	16	41A
St. Clair Shores City	9	8	18	2	16	40
Sterling Heights City	9,10	10	25,30	2	16	41A
Utica City	10	8	30	2	16	41A
Village of Grosse Pte. Shores (see also Wayne Co.)	9	8	18	2	6	M
Warren City	9	9	22,25,28	2	16	37
Washington Twp.	10	8	36	2	16	42

## Michigan Legislative Index

Michigan Congressional  
State Senate - State House of Representative  
Court of Appeals - Circuit Court - District Court

Codes for District Numbers:

**C = Congressional District No.**

**SS = State Senate District No.**

**SH = State House of Representatives District No.**

**AC = Appeals Court District No.**

**CC = Circuit Court Circuit No.**

**DC = District Court No.**

**M = Municipal Court**

To locate your Congressperson, State Senator, State Representative or appropriate court, use the lists on this page. If your city is in more than one district, call your county or city clerk or the Elections Bureau of the Michigan Department of State at **517-373-2540** or see the website at: **www.michigan.gov.sos**

Source: A Citizen's Guide to State Government Michigan Legislature

**GOVERNMENTAL UNIT**

<b>OAKLAND COUNTY</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>SS</b>	<b>SH</b>	<b>AC</b>	<b>CC</b>	<b>DC</b>
Addison Twp.	8	12	46	2	6	52
Auburn Hills City	11	12	29	2	6	52
Berkley City	9	13	27	2	6	44
Birmingham City	11	13	40	2	6	48
Bloomfield Hills City	11	13	40	2	6	48
Bloomfield Twp.	9	12	40	2	6	48
Brandon Twp.	8	14	46	2	6	52
Clawson City	9,11	13	41	2	6	52
Commerce Twp.	11	15	39	2	6	52
Farmington City	11	11	37	2	6	47
Farmington Hills City	14	11	37	2	6	47
Fenton City	8	14	51	2	6	67
Ferndale City	9	11	27	2	6	43
Groveland Twp.	8	14	51	2	6	52
Hazel Park City	9	11	27	2	6	43
Highland Twp.	11	14	44	2	6	52
Holly Twp.	8	14	51	2	6	52
Huntington Woods City	9	11	7	2	6	45
Independence Twp.	8	12	43	2	6	52
Keego Harbor City	14	15	29	2	6	48
Lake Angelus City	11	12	43	2	6	52
Lathrup Village City	14	11	35	2	6	46
Lyon Twp.	11	15	3	2	6	52
Madison Heights City	9	11	26	2	6	43
Milford Twp.	11	15	44	2	6	52
Northville City (see also Wayne Co.)	11	15	38	2	6	35
Novi City	11	15	38	2	6	52
Novi Twp.	11	15	38	2	6	52
Oakland Twp.	8	12	45,46	2	6	52
Oak Park City	14	11	27	2	6	45
Orion Twp.	8	12	46	2	6	52
Oxford Twp.	8	12	46	2	6	52
Pleasant Ridge City	9	11	27	2	6	45
Pontiac City	14	12	29	2	6	50
Rochester City	8	13	45	2	6	52
Rochester Hills City	8,11	13	45	2	6	52
Rose Twp.	8	14	51	2	6	52
Royal Oak City	9	13	26	2	6	44
Royal Oak Twp.	14	11	27	2	6	45
Southfield City	14	11	35	2	6	46
Southfield Twp.	9	12	40	2	6	46
South Lyon City	11	15	38	2	6	52
Springfield Twp.	8	14	44	2	6	52
Sylvan Lake City	14	12	29	2	6	48
Troy City	11	13	41	2	6	52
Village of Clarkston City	8	12	43	2	6	52
Walled Lake City	11	15	38	2	6	52
Waterford Twp.	11	14	43,44	2	6	51
West Bloomfield Twp.	11,14	15	39,40	2	6	48
White Lake Twp.	11	15	44	2	6	52
Wixom City	11	15	39	2	6	52

# WAYNE COUNTY



## Candidate Questionnaire Responses

KEY: Y = YES N = NO q = with qualifications/comments (call LIFESPAN 734-524.0162)

Please Note: If you do not see a particular Candidate's name, they did not respond to our survey by publication deadline. Only Candidates that responded by publication deadline are listed below.

CANDIDATE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	CANDIDATE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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### GOVERNOR

Brian Calley (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
Patrick Colbeck (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N <sup>q</sup>
Jim Hines (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
Bill Schuette (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>

### 4th District State Senator

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### 5th District State Senator

DeShawn Wilkins (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N <sup>q</sup>
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### U.S. SENATOR

John James (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
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### 6th District State Senator

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### U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### 11th Congressional District

Kerry Bentivolio (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
Lena Epstein (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
Klint Kesto (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Rocky Raczowski (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>

### 7th District State Senator

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### STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### 1st District State Representative

Mark Corcoran (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	- <sup>q</sup>
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#### 12th Congressional District

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#### 2nd District State Representative

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#### 13th Congressional District

David Dudenhofer (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	- <sup>q</sup>	- <sup>q</sup>	- <sup>q</sup>	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
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#### 3rd District State Representative

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#### 14th Congressional District

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#### 4th District State Representative

Howard Weathington (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
Ernest T. Little (D)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N

### STATE SENATE

#### 1st District State Senator

Pauline Montie (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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#### 5th District State Representative

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#### 2nd District State Senator

Lisa Papas (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N <sup>q</sup>
George Cushingberry (D)	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N

#### 3rd District State Senator

Kathy Stecker (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
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*Every election is determined by  
the people who show up.*

~ Larry J. Sabato ~

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<u>6th District State Representative</u>											<u>19th District State Representative</u>											
Linda Sawyer (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N <sup>q</sup>	Brian Meakin (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>	
<u>7th District State Representative</u>											<u>20th District State Representative</u>											
Ronald J. Cole, Jr. (R)	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N <sup>q</sup>	Jeff Noble (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>	
<u>8th District State Representative</u>											<u>21st District State Representative</u>											
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<u>9th District State Representative</u>											<u>23rd District State Representative</u>											
*											Michael Frazier (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	- <sup>q</sup>
<u>10th District State Representative</u>											<u>WAYNE COUNTY EXECUTIVE</u>											
*											Adam Salam Adamski (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
<u>11th District State Representative</u>											<u>WAYNE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS</u>											
James Townsend (R)	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	<u>1st District County Commissioner</u>											
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<u>12th District State Representative</u>											<u>2nd District County Commissioner</u>											
Lauretha Shelton (D)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y	N <sup>q</sup>	Joel Batterman (D)	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N <sup>q</sup>	
<u>13th District State Representative</u>											Nakpangi Thomas (D)	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N <sup>q</sup>	
Asmaa Alhasani (D)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>	<u>3rd District County Commissioner</u>											
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<u>14th District State Representative</u>											<u>4th District County Commissioner</u>											
Darrell Stasik (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N <sup>q</sup>												
<u>15th District State Representative</u>											*											
*											<u>5th District County Commissioner</u>											
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<u>16th District State Representative</u>											<u>6th District County Commissioner</u>											
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<u>17th District State Representative</u>																						
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<u>7th District County Commissioner</u>											<u>Ecorse Treasurer</u>										
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<u>8th District County Commissioner</u>											<u>Ecorse City Council</u>										
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<u>9th District County Commissioner</u>											<u>Huron Twp. Clerk</u>										
Terry A. Marecki (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N <sup>q</sup>	*										
<u>10th District County Commissioner</u>											<u>Huron Twp. Trustee</u>										
Joe Barone (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>	*										
<u>11th District County Commissioner</u>											<u>Lincoln Park Mayor</u>										
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<u>12th District County Commissioner</u>											<u>Lincoln Park Clerk</u>										
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<u>13th District County Commissioner</u>											<u>Lincoln Park Treasurer</u>										
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<u>14th District County Commissioner</u>											<u>Lincoln Park City Council</u>										
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<u>15th District County Commissioner</u>																					
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### CITY/TOWNSHIP RACES

Brownstown Twp. Trustee

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Ecorse Mayor

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Ecorse Clerk

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### Northville Twp. Trustee

Scott Frush (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
Chris Roosen (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>

### River Rouge City Commissioners

Donald Love	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
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### Sumpter Twp. Clerk

Esther Hurst (D)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
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### Sumpter Twp. Treasurer

Kenneth Bednark (D)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
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### Sumpter Twp. Trustee

Tim Rush (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
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### Wayne Mayor

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### Wayne City Council - Ward 4

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### Wayne City Council - Ward 5

Kelly Skiff	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y	N
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### Wayne City Council - Ward 6

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*Those who stay away from the election think  
that one vote will do no good. 'Tis but one step  
more to think one vote will do no harm.*

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson ~

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## LIFESPAN Candidate Survey

Right to Life - LIFESPAN, Inc., is a non-profit educational and legislative organization. The first informs and motivates people to do something. The second speaks to changing laws. LIFESPAN can take sides and urge passage of legislation which is called lobbying. LIFESPAN is not "political." LIFESPAN does not have a political action committee (PAC) to elect or to defeat candidates. However, we can publish candidate surveys. This has been clearly permitted on a number of occasions by the U.S. Supreme Court. We can also list office holders and tell you how they have voted on various issues. Such reporting, as we do it, is not "political." Because this comes under Freedom of the Press, such information can be passed out through churches, without jeopardizing their tax status (again by a decision of the U.S. Supreme Court). According to legal terminology, this corporation can engage in "issue advocacy." The responses to the survey questions are dependent on the honesty and integrity of the individual candidates. LIFESPAN is not responsible for any candidate's response that differ from his or her public stance of the issues. Any questions or discrepancies should be directed to the candidate. ❖



## Election Calendar

**JULY 9** - Last day to register for August Primary Election

**AUGUST 4 (by 2 pm)** - Electors who wish to receive an absent voter ballot for the August Primary by mail must submit absent voter ballot applications.

**AUGUST 4 (up to 4 pm)** - Electors qualified to obtain an absent voter ballot for August Primary may vote in person in clerk's office.

**AUGUST 7 (TUESDAY) - STATE PRIMARY**

**OCTOBER 9** - Last day to register for the November General Election.

**NOVEMBER 3 (by 2 pm)** - Electors who wish to receive an absent voter ballot for the November General Election by mail must submit absent voter ballot applications.

**NOVEMBER 5 (up to 4 pm)** - Electors qualified to obtain an absent voter ballot for the November General Election may vote in person in the clerk's office.

**NOVEMBER 6 (TUESDAY) - GENERAL ELECTION**

# OAKLAND COUNTY



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<b><u>GOVERNOR</u></b>											<b><u>12th District State Senator</u></b>												
Brian Calley (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>	Jim Tedder (R)		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>		
Patrick Colbeck (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N <sup>q</sup>	Mike McCready (R)		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>		
Jim Hines (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>													
Bill Schuette (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>	<b><u>13th District State Senator</u></b>												
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<b><u>U.S. SENATOR</u></b>											<b><u>14th District State Senator</u></b>												
John James (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>													
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<b><u>U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES</u></b>											<b><u>15th District State Senator</u></b>												
<b><u>8th Congressional District</u></b>											*												
Mike Bishop (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N													
<b><u>9th Congressional District</u></b>											<b><u>STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES</u></b>												
Candius Stearns (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	<b><u>26th District State Representative</u></b>												
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<b><u>11th Congressional District</u></b>											<b><u>27th District State Representative</u></b>												
Kerry Bentivolio (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>													
Lena Epstein (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>	*												
Klint Kesto (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y													
Rocky Raczkowski (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>	<b><u>29th District State Representative</u></b>												
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<b><u>14th Congressional District</u></b>											<b><u>35th District State Representative</u></b>												
*											Theodore Alfonsetti, III (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
<b><u>STATE SENATE</u></b>											Alex Meyers (D)		N	N <sup>q</sup>	N	N	Y <sup>q</sup>	N	N <sup>q</sup>	Y <sup>q</sup>	N	N	
<b><u>11th District State Senator</u></b>																							
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*Remember something, if you will, about voting: Voting is not a horse race, you're not going there thinking, "Gee, I gotta pick the winner so I can brag to my friends. Oh, I picked so-and-so and he or she won." Voting is voting your heart and voting your conscience and when you've done that, don't ever, EVER let a Democrat or Republican tell you that you've wasted your vote because the fact is, if you DON'T vote your heart and conscience, then you HAVE wasted your vote.*

~ Jesse Ventura ~

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# OAKLAND COUNTY



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### 37th District State Representative

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### 38th District State Representative

Kathy S. Crawford (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y N

### 39th District State Representative

Marsha Kosmatka (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y<sup>q</sup>

### 40th District State Representative

Malissa Bossardet (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y<sup>q</sup>

Paul Taros (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y N<sup>q</sup>

Joe Zane (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y N

### 41st District State Representative

Ronald Dwyer (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y<sup>q</sup>

Doug Tietz (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y<sup>q</sup>

### 43rd District State Representative

Jose Aliaga (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y N

Anthony Bartolotta (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y N

Andrea K. Schroeder (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y<sup>q</sup>

### 44th District State Representative

Lynn O'Brien (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y<sup>q</sup>

Steven White, Jr. (D) Y Y Y Y Y Y N Y Y N

### 45th District State Representative

Michael Webber (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y N

### 46th District State Representative

John Reilly (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y<sup>q</sup>

### 51st District State Representative

Matthew D. Anderton (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y<sup>q</sup>

Mike Mueller (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y N

Ian Shetron (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y<sup>q</sup>

## OAKLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

### 1st District County Commissioner

Michael J. Gingell (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y

### 2nd District County Commissioner

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### 3rd District County Commissioner

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### 4th District County Commissioner

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### 5th District County Commissioner

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### 6th District County Commissioner

Eileen Kowall (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y<sup>q</sup>

### 7th District County Commissioner

Christine A. Long (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y N<sup>q</sup>

### 8th District County Commissioner

Phil Weipert (R) Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y<sup>q</sup>

### 9th District County Commissioner

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### 10th District County Commissioner

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# OAKLAND COUNTY



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### 11th District County Commissioner

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### 12th District County Commissioner

Shelley Goodman Taub (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
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### 13th District County Commissioner

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### 14th District County Commissioner

Bill Galvin (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
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### 15th District County Commissioner

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### 16th District County Commissioner

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### 17th District County Commissioner

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### 18th District County Commissioner

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### 19th District County Commissioner

Michael Ryan (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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### 20th District County Commissioner

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### 21st District County Commissioner

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### CITY/TOWNSHIP RACES

#### Brandon Twp. Trustee

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#### Commerce Twp. Trustee

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\* No response was received by Candidates

## Register and Vote!

Never underestimate the power of the ballot.

One of the greatest strengths of America is that all citizens are provided a voice through the voting booth. And every vote does count! Many an election has been won by a handful of votes or even just one vote.

But before you can vote in an election, you must be registered. Registering to vote is an easy process. In fact, Michigan was the first state in the nation to implement "motor/voter" registration, allowing residents to register to vote at any Secretary of State branch office. Today, over 88 percent of all eligible voters are registered.

To register, you must be a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old by election day and a Michigan resident. Any Secretary of State branch office or county, city or township clerk's office can register you. In addition, specified agencies providing services through the Department of Human Services, the Department of Community Health, the Michigan Jobs Commission, and military recruitment centers also provide voter registrations services.

You may also register to vote by mail - forms are available at your local clerk's office or from the Secretary of State website. If you register to vote by mail, and you have moved to a new voting jurisdiction or are registering for the very first time, you must vote in person in the first election in which you participate. The only exceptions are if you are 60 years old or older, disabled as defined by law or temporarily living overseas.

You also have the option of registering to vote when you renew your driver license by mail. Eligible drivers receive a voter registration in the mail with their driver license renewal information.

As you can see, there are several options for you to choose from when registering to vote. But no matter where or how you register, you will vote in your assigned precinct in your hometown.



# MACOMB COUNTY



## Candidate Questionnaire Responses

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### GOVERNOR

Brian Calley (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
Patrick Colbeck (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N <sup>q</sup>
Jim Hines (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
Bill Schuette (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>

### 24th District State Representative

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### 25th District State Representative

Jazmine M. Early (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
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### U.S. SENATOR

John James (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
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### 28th District State Representative

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### U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### 9th Congressional District

Candius Stearns (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
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### 30th District State Representative

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#### 10th Congressional District

Michael J. McCarthy (D)	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>	Y <sup>q</sup>	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
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### 31st District State Representative

Lisa Valerio-Nowc (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
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### 32nd District State Representative

Pamela Hornberger (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N <sup>q</sup>
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### STATE SENATE

#### 8th District State Senator

Peter J. Lucido (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
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### 33rd District State Representative

Jeff Yaroch (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	- <sup>q</sup>	N
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#### 9th District State Senator

Fred Kuplicki (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
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### 36th District State Representative

Scott Czasak (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
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Karen Potchynok-Lund (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	- <sup>q</sup>
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Douglas Wozniak (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
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Robert Murphy (D)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
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#### 10th District State Senator

Joseph Bogdan (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
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#### 25th District State Senator

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### MACOMB COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Norbert Golembiewski (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
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Joseph M. Hunt (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y	Y	N
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### STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### 18th District State Representative

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### MACOMB COUNTY CLERK/REGISTER OF DEEDS

James Perna (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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Lisa Sinclair (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N
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Julie Williams (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
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#### 22nd District State Representative

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# MACOMB COUNTY



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<b>MACOMB COUNTY COMMISSIONERS</b>												<b>12th District County Commissioner</b>									
<u>1st District County Commissioner</u>												Jeff Ford (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
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<u>2nd District County Commissioner</u>												Leon Drolet (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
K. G. Wittbrodt (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>											
<u>3rd District County Commissioner</u>												<b>13th District County Commissioner</b>									
*												Camille Finlay (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
<u>4th District County Commissioner</u>												<b>CITY/TOWNSHIP RACES</b>									
Paul M. Smith (R)	Y <sup>q</sup>	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>		<b>Armada Twp. Treasurer</b>									
<u>5th District County Commissioner</u>												<b>Armada Twp. Trustee</b>									
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<u>6th District County Commissioner</u>												<b>Washington Twp. Trustee</b>									
*												Gary E. Kopp (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>
<u>7th District County Commissioner</u>												★ ★ ★ ★									
*												<b>47 Years of Abortion</b>									
<u>8th District County Commissioner</u>												<i>Below are short reflections from our Rose Ceremony in January. Each year since 1973 is represented. Watch the next few newsletters for more reflections.</i>									
*												<b>1988</b> - Abortion shuts off entire generations - children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren									
<u>9th District County Commissioner</u>												<b>1989</b> - The U.S. Supreme Court, let stand a Missouri statute stating that human life begins at conception, and declared that the state <u>does</u> have a "compelling" interest in fetal life throughout pregnancy..									
*												<b>1990</b> - Many women were pressured by their boyfriends, parents, or husbands to have an abortion. Our prayers, compassion and concern can help bring healing.									
<u>10th District County Commissioner</u>												<b>1991</b> - Beginning in this year, the number of abortions performed each year in the United States has been in a slow gradual decline.									
Barbara Zinner (R)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y <sup>q</sup>		<b>1992</b> - Twenty-seven states require women to wait a specific amount of time - most often 24 hours - between counseling and the abortion.									
Robert Leonetti (D)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	- <sup>q</sup>											
<u>11th District County Commissioner</u>																					
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\* No response was received by Candidates



*Right to Life – LIFESPAN Educational Fund*

## ***“MOVEMENT IN MOTION”***

### **Youth Bus Trip**

**46<sup>th</sup> Annual March for Life, Washington, DC**

**Dates: depart evening of January 17<sup>th</sup>,  
arrive home morning of January 20<sup>th</sup>**

**7<sup>th</sup>\* - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students, College Students,  
and adults who are chaperoning**



**Registration is:**

**September 1<sup>st</sup> through October 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Pricing is \$165-\$185**

**(dependent on the itinerary)**

**Included: lodging, some meals  
and a 2019 commemorative  
*red LIFESPAN scarf.***

**Admit One**

We are requesting White House tickets for Saturday and will need to submit names of all who register.

*Please note late registrants will not be able to participate with the White House Tours.*

**Admit One**

**For more information:** Lynn Gura, Youth Director, at:  
248-816-1546 or oakmac@rtl-lifespan.org  
or Anne Marie Morin, Associate Youth Director, at:  
734-422-6230 or wcdr@rtl-lifespan.org

***\*7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade students must  
be accompanied by  
a parent or legal guardian.***

# JUDICIAL CANDIDATE SURVEY

*LIFESPAN sent the following three-question survey to each candidate for judicial office in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb Counties, including Appeals Court, Circuit Court, District Court and Probate Court. Candidates were also asked to state, in 50 words or less, their judicial philosophy as it relates to matters of statutory interpretation. Statements provided by judicial candidates are on file at LIFESPAN's Main Office. Please call for further information.*

The following questions are intended to canvas your judicial philosophy. These questions are not directed at any particular case that you may have previously ruled upon, are about to rule upon or may rule upon in the future.

1. Which of the following groups of United States Supreme Court Justices possess a judicial philosophy that is closest to your own?
  - A. Former Justice Antonin Scalia & Justice Clarence Thomas
  - B. Justice Anthony M. Kennedy & former Justice Sandra Day O'Connor
  - C. Former Justice David Souter & former Justice John Paul Stevens
  - D. Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg & Justice Stephen Breyer
2. Which book most closely captures your judicial philosophy?
  - A. *A Matter of Interpretation*, by Antonin Scalia
  - B. *Rights from Wrongs*, by Alan Dershowitz
  - C. *Active Liberty*, by Stephen Breyer
  - D. *Feminist Legal Theory: Readings in Law and Gender*, edited by Katharine T. Bartlett & Roseanne Kennedy
3. Which statement most closely captures your judicial philosophy as it relates to matters of Constitutional interpretation?
  - A. Our State and Federal Constitutions should be interpreted by ascertaining the original meaning of the words that make up these documents.
  - B. Our State and Federal Constitutions should be interpreted by ascertaining the current meaning of the words that make up these documents.
  - C. Our State and Federal Constitutions provide general outlines of societal goals. The interpretation of our Constitutions can change over time to reflect the changing views of society. Constitutional interpretation should not be so stringent as to preclude the flexibility needed in a changing society.
  - D. A judge ought not commit to methods of constitutional interpretation before a case is heard. A judge should consider the arguments of the litigants and select a method of constitutional interpretation that produces a fair and equitable result in each case before the court.
4. In 50 words or less, describe your judicial philosophy as it relates to matters of statutory interpretation.

*NOTE: LIFESPAN is not a political organization and does not endorse candidates for election. We have surveyed the candidates as a service to our members. The questionnaires are on file at LIFESPAN's Main Office for your perusal. If you need further verification on a candidate's stand on these or other issues, please contact the candidate directly.*

# JUDICIAL CANDIDATES WAYNE COUNTY



## Judicial Candidate Questionnaire Responses

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<b><u>APPEALS COURT</u></b>					<b><u>31st District</u></b>				
<b><u>1st District</u></b>					John Fitzgerald Gorniak	A	A	A	@
Thomas C. Cameron	A	A	A	@	<b><u>32nd District</u></b>				
					*				
<b><u>CIRCUIT COURT</u></b>					<b><u>33rd District</u></b>				
<b><u>3rd Circuit</u></b>					*				
Catherine L. Heise	A	A	A	@	<b><u>34th District</u></b>				
					*				
<b><u>DISTRICT COURT</u></b>					<b><u>35th District</u></b>				
<b><u>16th District</u></b>					*				
*					<b><u>36th District</u></b>				
<b><u>18th District</u></b>					*				
*					<b><u>PROBATE COURT</u></b>				
<b><u>19th District</u></b>					*				
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<b><u>20th District</u></b>									
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<b><u>22nd District</u></b>									
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<b><u>23rd District</u></b>									
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<b><u>27th District</u></b>									
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<b><u>29th District</u></b>									
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To view the Public Ballot for YOUR county,  
jurisdiction and precinct, go to:

[webapps.sos.state.mi.us/MVIC/  
SelectPublicBallot.aspx](http://webapps.sos.state.mi.us/MVIC/SelectPublicBallot.aspx)

And follow the prompts to see the actual ballot  
that YOU will see on election day.



*No law can give me the right  
to do what is wrong.*

~ Abraham Lincoln ~

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# JUDICIAL CANDIDATES OAKLAND COUNTY



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JUDICIAL CANDIDATE	1	2	3	4
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### APPEALS COURT

#### 2nd District

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### CIRCUIT COURT

#### 6th Circuit

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### DISTRICT COURT

#### 43rd District

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#### 44th District

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#### 46th District

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#### 48th District

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#### 50th District

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#### 51st District

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#### 52nd District

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### PROBATE COURT

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## Absentee Voting

❖ Download an absentee ballot application at: [www.michigan.gov/sos](http://www.michigan.gov/sos)

❖ Send your absentee ballot request form to your clerk at: [www.michigan.gov/sos](http://www.michigan.gov/sos)

Absentee voter ballots are available for all elections. They provide voters with a convenient method for casting a ballot when they are unable to attend the polls on election day.

As a **registered** voter, you may obtain an absentee ballot if you are:

- ◆ Age 60 years old or older
- ◆ Unable to vote without assistance at the polls
- ◆ Expecting to be out of town on election day
- ◆ In jail awaiting arraignment or trial
- ◆ Unable to attend the polls due to religious reasons
- ◆ Appointed to work as an election inspector in a precinct outside of your precinct of residence

A person who registers to vote by mail must vote in person in the first election in which he or she participates. The restrictions does not apply to overseas voters, voters who are disabled or voters who are 60 years of age or older. (Voting in person on one governmental level clears the restriction on the other levels. For example, if a voter subject to the restriction votes in person at a school election, the voter would be free to obtain an absentee ballot for the first state election in which he or she wishes to participate.)

## Requesting an Absentee Voter Ballot

Your request for an absentee voter ballot must be in writing and can be submitted to your city or township clerk. (For assistance in obtaining the address of your city or township clerk, see [www.michigan.gov/vote](http://www.michigan.gov/vote)). Your request must include one of the six statutory reasons stated above and your signature. You must request an absentee voter ballot by mailing the application, a letter, a postcard, or a pre-printed application form obtained from your local clerk's office. Requests to have an absentee voter ballot mailed to you must be received by

\* No response was received by Candidates

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# JUDICIAL CANDIDATES MACOMB COUNTY



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### APPEALS COURT

#### 2nd District

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### CIRCUIT COURT

#### 16th Circuit

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### DISTRICT COURT

#### 37th District

John M. Chmura	A	A	A	@
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#### 39th District

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#### 40th District

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#### 41A District

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#### 41B District

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#### 42nd District—2nd Division

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### PROBATE COURT

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## Absentee Voting

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your clerk no later than 2 pm the Saturday before the election.

Once your request is received by the local clerk, your signature on the request will be checked against your voter registration record before a ballot is issued. You must be a registered voter to receive an absentee ballot. Requests for absentee voter ballots are processed immediately. Absentee ballots may be issued to you at your home address or any address outside your city or township of residence.

After receiving your absentee voter ballot, you have until 8 pm on election day to complete the ballot and return it to the clerk's office. Your ballot will not be counted unless your signature is on the return envelope and matches your signature on file. If you receive assistance voting the ballot, then the signature of the person who helped you must also be on the return envelope. Only you, a family members or person residing in your household, a mail carrier, or election official is authorized to deliver your signed absentee voter ballot to your clerk's office.

If an emergency, such as a sudden illness or family death prevents you from reaching the polls on election day, you may request an emergency absentee voter ballot. Requests for an emergency ballot must be submitted after the deadline for regular absentee voter ballots has passed by before 4 pm on election day. The emergency must have occurred at a time which made it impossible for you to apply for a regular absentee voter ballot. Your local clerk will have more information about emergency absentee voter ballots. ❖



*You can either vote by voting or vote  
by not voting. If you don't vote,  
someone else's vote counts more.*

**IT'S MATH!**

\* No response was received by Candidates

# American Medical Association Says No to Assisted Suicide

By Wesley Smith

**T**he AMA was asked by legislation activists to revisit its decades-long opposition to legalizing assisted suicide, specifically, to distinguish between suicide and the euthanasia movement's favorite euphemism, "aid in dying."

Big mistake. The Ethics Committee reiterated its opposition to legalization in full, with some wisdom worth recounting here.

First, the AMA rejects the nonsense that assisted suicide isn't suicide. From "Report of the Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs," CEJS Report 5-A-18 (my emphasis):

The council recognizes that choosing one term of art over others can carry multiple, and not always intended messages. However, in the absence of a perfect option, CEJA believes ethical deliberation and debate is best served by using plainly descriptive language.

Exactly what I have been saying. But I digress:

In the council's view, despite its negative connotations, the term "physician assisted suicide" describes the practice with the greatest precision. Most importantly, it clearly distinguishes the practice from euthanasia. The terms "aid in dying" or "death with dignity" could be used to describe either euthanasia or palliative/hospice care at the end of life and this degree of ambiguity is unacceptable for providing ethical guidance.

Yes! But of course, those are the very reasons activists want to use the term.

The opinion also notes that the "guidelines will prevent abuse" meme hasn't exactly worked in Netherlands and Belgium:

Although cross-cultural comparisons are problematic, current evidence from Europe present a cautionary tale. Recent findings from studies in Belgium and the Netherlands, both countries that permit euthanasia as well as physician-assisted suicide, mitigate some fears but underscore others. For example, research in the Netherlands has found that "requests characterized by psychological as opposed to physical suffering were most likely to be rejected... At the same time, however, among patients who obtained euthanasia or assisted suicide, nearly 4 percent "reported only psychological suffering."

This may be old news. Recently published data show that more than 80 mentally ill patients were euthanized in

2017 in the Netherlands, which happens in Belgium too.

The report shows that oversight in Netherlands tends to be a rubber-stamp affair, which I assert also happens in Oregon.

Studies have also raised questions about how effective retrospective review of decisions to provide euthanasia/assisted suicide is in policing practice. A qualitative analysis of cases that Dutch regional euthanasia committees determined had not met legal "due care criteria" found that such reviews focus on procedural considerations and do not "directly assess the actual eligibility" of the patients who obtained euthanasia.

A separate study of cases in which psychiatric patients obtained euthanasia found that physicians' reports "stated that psychosis or depression did or did not affect capacity but provided little explanation regarding their judgments" and that review committees "generally accepted the judgment of the physician performing EAS [euthanasia or physician-assisted suicide]".

The report notes that quality end-of-life care is unequally available in the country, and is a particular problem for poor populations.

The report concluded:

After careful consideration, CEJA concludes that in its current form, the Code offers guidance to support physicians and the patients they serve in making well-considered, mutually respectful decisions about legally available options for care at the end of life in the intimacy of a patient-physician relationship. The Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs therefore recommends that the Code of Medical Ethics not be amended.

Good. A doctor's role is to heal, palliate, counsel, and treat. It should never be to help kill.

- LifeNews.com, May 7, 2018

## Editor's Note:

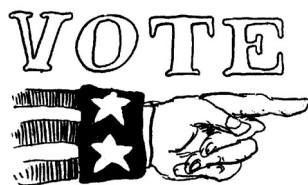
*After studying the issue, based on the recommendation of the AMA's own ethics committee (to continue to oppose euthanasia), the AMA has said it will "continue to study the issue". This is clearly a step back from the ethics committee's recommendation and an ominous turn of events for healthcare.*

# LIFESPAN Chapter News

## Miles of Smiles

Thanks to all our LIFESPAN representatives who helped to spread Mother's Day and Father's Day smiles all around our area. The carnations and candy bars were very popular this year. Our volunteers are the best!

## Time to Vote!



For some reason, many people do not vote in Primary elections. The Primaries are composed of individuals who are seeking elective offices of all kinds. Only those who win a primary election will be

candidates in the next General Election. In other words, the Primary determines who you will be able to vote for in the General. This includes offices such as Governors, Federal and State Congressmen and Congresswomen and Senators. These are the people who will decide the outcome of votes on every issue between now and 2020, when we will elect a president. Many pro-life issues are determined by the vote of state and federal office holders. It is critically important to carefully examine the positions of candidates on issues important to you and then VOTE in the primaries.

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## Summer Hours

The Wayne County Chapter Office has started summer hours:

Monday and Friday: CLOSED

Tuesday - Thursday: 10am-2pm

As always, appointments are available outside of office hours.

*\*\*Please note, we will be closed the week of July 1st-6th in honor of Independence Day\*\**

## SAVE AND SUPPORT!



It's time to SAVE! We are taking *pre-orders* for the 2019 Entertainment Books at the Wayne County Chapter, *NOW!*

As a special bonus, when you pay your \$30, you will also receive the 2018 Entertainment Book which is good until December 30, 2018.

That is TWO books for the price of one!

## Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who helped out with and participated in our Mother's Day and Father's Day offerings! All donations will go to continue the important work that LIFESPAN does across Wayne County to further the Pro-Life Movement.

## BOWLING FOR LIFE!

Save the date and start collecting pledges for **Bowl- ing For Life** on **Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 7-9 PM** at **Wood- land Lanes in Livonia**. Beat the heat outside and "heat up" the competition in air conditioning as you bowl for prizes and bragging rights! Minimum of \$15 (donation and/or pledges - we hope you collect more pledges!) gets you registered.

## The Primaries: ✓ote!

Many of you will be researching candidates and/or filling out absentee ballots. We hope that you will find the information collected by LIFESPAN in this special Candidate Survey Edition of LIFESPAN News helpful as you make decisions. Please, remember that voting in the primary is extremely important! Candidates who win in the primary are the ones who get to be put on the November Ballot. Don't YOU want a say in which candidates are being voted into office? If you do, make sure that you get out and vote in the primary!

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# Wee Care

Yesterday, two precious baby girls visited our office. One, just two months old, smiled and cooed when we talked to her. The other, seven months old, laughed and grinned as she put her toes in her mouth!

Two very different situations -

The mom of the 2 mos. old is a first time mom. She was in college when she discovered she was pregnant. School is on hold for right now, as she works part time to provide for her tiny daughter. Like all new moms, she was so excited and proud of every sweet gesture her baby made! She was so appreciative of all your help.

The 7 mos. old is the third child of the other mom. Their story is a lot different. Her middle child is

very sick, and the father is very abusive. The mom's days are filled with fear and court appearances. Her adorable little girl's laughter is the one thing that brings her moments of joy.

Both moms were so grateful for all of the diapers, wipes, clothing and bedding that you provided. Both moms were so touched that strangers care about their little daughters and about them.

It meant more than words can say how they felt when they knew that you were praying for their little families. Please continue to pray for our babies and for their moms. They need all of the physical and spiritual help they can get.

God bless you all!  
Love, Karen

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*All material and monetary donations to Wee Care are tax-deductible. Checks must be made payable to Right to Life - LIFESPAN Educational Fund.*

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## SAVE THE DATE!

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2018**

## MICHIGAN NURSES FOR LIFE ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE

**ST. JOSEPH MERCY OAKLAND PONTIAC**

(Registration Open to All)

## Abortion Pill Reversal - It May Not Be Too Late

Featuring George Delgado, MD

A pioneer in developing the abortion pill reversal protocol

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CHECK OUR WEBSITE:**

**WWW.MNFL.ORG OR CALL 248-816-8489**

## Free Speech Lives!

**T**oday [June 26, 2018], the Supreme Court announced their decision in *NIFLA v Becerra*. The case is a challenge to the so-called "Reproductive FACT Act" which the state of California established in 2015.

NIFLA has been fighting this good fight in courts ever since, and today we are grateful to say free speech lives!

In a 5-4 decision, the justices have rightly supported the freedom of speech of over 100 pro-life pregnancy centers and medical clinics in California.

"Today's decision is a tremendous win not only for free speech but for human life," said Jor-El Godsey, president of Heartbeat International. "Thanks to today's ruling, California's 200-plus pregnancy centers can continue to serve women and children, unburdened by the unconscionable demands of the abortion lobby. This is an unquestionably major triumph for U.S. pregnancy centers working to save families from the sting of abortion."

Today's ruling is the latest - and most significant -



court victory for pro-life pregnancy centers which have been the target of similarly onerous free speech restrictions in New York, Connecticut, Maryland, Texas, Hawaii, and Illinois.

Thank you for your prayers and for following this case over the last three years. We hope that you celebrate today with us as we rejoice in this victory for life!

- June 26, 2018, *Pregnancy Help News*



## BOWLING FOR LIFE

CALL/EMAIL to reserve your spot(s) TODAY - Space is limited!

**WHEN: Friday, August 17, 2018      START TIME: 7:00 PM**

**WHERE: Woodland Lanes, 33775 Plymouth Road, Livonia, MI 48150**



BOWLING FOR LIFE is an easy way for people of all ages to get involved and actively demonstrate support for the *Sanctity of Human Life across the lifespan* and a desire to make a difference in the lives of women and their babies, those who are sick, those who have a disability and the elderly.

**We are a 501(c)3 organization & donations are tax deductible!**

Put your bowling skills & pro-life enthusiasm to work and collect pledges now!

Come out on August 17<sup>th</sup> to enjoy **two games of bowling**, which *includes*: **bowling shoes, 2 slices of pizza & pop.**

Pick up pledge forms at our office or at [miLIFESPAN.org](http://miLIFESPAN.org)

If you would like to register a group as a team, make sure to turn in all individual registrations together and indicate that you would like to be on the same team! A minimum of \$15 in pledges is needed for registration per individual bowler. Additional pledges may be sent in to our office after BOWLING FOR LIFE. Keep collecting those pledges!



**Questions: Call 734.422.6230 or EMAIL: [wcdri@rtl-lifespan.org](mailto:wcdri@rtl-lifespan.org)**

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# Walk For Life



**Sunday, September 16, 2018**

**1:30 – 3:00 PM**

**Sumac Pointe Pavilion**

**37401 Hines Drive, Edward Hines Park, Livonia**

The **Walk for Life** is an easy way for people of all ages to get involved by actively demonstrating support for the **Sanctity of Human Life across the lifespan** and a desire to make a difference in the lives of women and their babies.

It will take less than 90 minutes of your time, but its effect could literally last a lifetime!

Put your feet to your pro-life convictions and **Walk for Life**; you will directly **help LIFESPAN** advance its mission to impact and transform people with the love of life from conception until natural death.

Start collecting pledges of support from friends and family NOW!

**Pledge form is available at our office or at [www.miLIFESPAN.org](http://www.miLIFESPAN.org).**

**We are a 501(c)3 organization and all donations are tax deductible!**

- Completed pledge forms get you a t-shirt which is available at the Walk. **T-shirts run from adult small to adult 3X-large.**
- **If pledges are collected, a minimum of \$20 is needed for registration.**
- **Additional pledges may be sent in after the Walk for Life. - Keep collecting pledges!**
- A **Walk for Life** pin to walkers who bring in \$100 or more in pledges.
- Two Tickets to LIFESPAN's Fall Sign Painting Party to each of the first two walkers who collect the most pledges (above \$150), received by LIFESPAN by **October 5, 2018.**

**Questions: Call 734.422.6230**

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## From the President's Desk

Dear Friends,

I pray that all of you are enjoying the warmth and relaxation of summer. Summer or not, it is a year for midterm elections. It will also be a summer that is full of words from the many men and women running for public office. This issue gives you the results of our questionnaire that was sent to every candidate running for public office in the LIFESPAN area.

Please read it carefully. We must not let down our guard for the stakes are high. This election is critical on many levels but especially for the pro-life movement. The present Administration is moving toward strengthening and implementing policies that are pro-life. If we lose our majority in the Senate or the House, we will be unable to get the pro-life legislation needed to promote the cause of life. In fact, we need more pro-life people in Congress who will give us pro-life votes.

This is a special time for our cause. We have never, in my lifetime with this movement, had so many pro-life legislators - yet we still don't have enough votes in the House or Senate to ensure veto-proof legislation. This means we need to vote in more pro-life legislators. Michigan is crucial - we need more pro-life legislators going to Washington, DC from Michigan. For many years, our Michigan Senators have been anti-life. They have voted to keep laws on the books, make laws, or send money to Planned Parenthood that promotes the killing of a growing child in the womb. This must change. We need to educate our family and friends as to the importance of this election and the importance of voting pro-life.

Please share the information from the Candidate Questionnaire with all your friends and family. Encourage them to vote!! Encourage them to vote for the pro-life cause. Mark your calendars - State Primary is August 7, 2018 and State General Election is November 6, 2018. If you're not going to be in town, call your City or Township for an Absentee Ballot. IT'S A MATTER OF LIFE OR DEATH!!

— Diane Fagelman,  
President, Right to Life - LIFESPAN

You can live on after death by helping those whose lives are threatened by abortion, euthanasia or infanticide. A bequest in your will to Right to Life - LIFESPAN will be used to save the lives of many through our efforts.

Have questions? Please contact Charles Kleinbrook at 248-352-9569 or MrChip1234@aol.com

## Donations have been made -

### In Memory of:

**Stefanie Lawler**

Given by: Carolyn Dreer

**Frank Radwick**

Given by: Bev Bettega

**James Ritter**

Given by: Diane Trombley

**Elizabeth Scott**

Given by: Irene Tharp

Donations may be made in memory of loved ones who have died; a memorial card will be sent by LIFESPAN in your name to the family of the deceased. Donations may also be made to honor someone special, and near and dear to you, for a particular occasion, or just because... Send donations to your local LIFESPAN office.



### Congratulations to our three Raffle Winners:

**1st Prize: Cynthia Hurt**

**2nd Prize: Kathleen O'Reilly**

**3rd Prize: Dennis Weberlein**

Thank you to all of those who bought tickets to our Raffle this year! All proceeds will be used for educational projects and programs, like Wee Care and our Generation Truth Youth Outreach Program.

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# Vermont Right to Life Treasurer Aids Investigation Leading to Arrests in National Scam

*Editor's Note: When being solicited by phone to donate to a pro-life group, be wary. Call our office for verification. Better yet, give locally! Then you can see your donated dollars at work.*



**W**hen Vermont Right to Life Committee Treasurer, Sharon Toborg, received a telemarketing phone call at her home urging her to help end abortion, she looked into the organization making the request. But Toborg, who has been affiliated in several capacities with VRLC for over 30 years, had never heard of the "National Campaign PAC" organization to which she was being asked to donate. As she started researching the group her worst suspicions were confirmed.

Toborg discovered that, according to Federal Election Commission filings, the organization was pulling in millions of dollars to supposedly promote pro-life causes, but it appeared to her that they were mostly paying some businesses. Toborg warned VRLC members not to donate to the fake organization and emphasized that Vermont Right to Life has not solicited funds by telephone for years. Her warning went national when it was picked up by a national pro-life news service.

She also requested that those who received a letter or a pledge card from National Campaign PAC send a copy to VRLC to help her further investigate. Letters and pledge forms came in from around the country and Sharon kept them on file.

As a result, Sharon Toborg was able to assist investigators from the U.S. Attorney's Office from the Southern District of New York looking into criminal and fraudulent activity by the phony group. On May 17th, those same investigators called Sharon to let her know that arrests had been made in the case. Two Arizona men have been charged in Manhattan Federal Court with fraud and mon-

ey laundering, allegedly defrauding donors of more than \$23 million in a scheme that involved numerous scam political action committees – one of them being the "National Campaign PAC."

As investigators noted in their complaint:

The National Campaign PAC...asserted that its "mission is to save unborn babies from abortion" and that its goal was to "change hearts, change leaders and change laws until the day arrives when every child is welcomed into life and protected by law." It solicited donations, by phone and mail, under the "project" name of the "Pro-Life Committee."

- National Right to Life NEWS TODAY, May 31, 2018

## LIFESPAN Annual Meeting with the Board

All are welcome!

Come to see how your LIFESPAN is doing!

**Friday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am**

*Please RSVP so we know which of our facilities would be most appropriate to hold the meeting.*

## Right to Life - LIFESPAN Membership Form

Right to Life - LIFESPAN believes that human life has value in all stages of development from conception until natural death, and is committed to speaking on behalf of those who cannot speak for themselves—the preborn, the aged, the incapacitated. Won't you please help in our struggle to preserve respect for human life? A contribution brings you the monthly newsletter as well as educational materials and special mailings.

_____ Annual Membership	\$30.00	_____ Other
_____ Student/Senior Member	\$20.00	

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this form and return with your donation to: **Right to Life - LIFESPAN, 32540 Schoolcraft Rd., Ste. 100, Livonia, MI 48150-4305.** For more information, call **734-524-0162.**

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## **President Trump Taking Major Step Toward Ending Taxpayers' Forced Partnership with Abortion Industry, says Family Research Council**

**T**he Trump administration is expected to announce today new regulations for the Title X family planning program that reinstates President Ronald Reagan's "protect life rule" which protects the integrity of the program by preventing the "co-location" of family planning clinics with abortion clinics. This rule will separate abortion centers, such as Planned Parenthood, from the thousands of clinics that provide Title X services without cutting any funds.

Family Research Council President Tony Perkins commented:

"President Trump's HHS is taking a major step toward the ultimate goal of ending taxpayers' forced partnership with the abortion industry. The new regulations will draw a bright line between abortion centers and family planning programs -- just as the federal law requires and the Supreme Court has upheld.

"It's a shame that the federal Title X family planning program has been co-mingled with abortion ever since President Bill Clinton issued regulations not only removing the wall of separation President Reagan issued, but even requiring groups to refer for abortion. The result is that Planned Parenthood



-- an organization that's been under criminal investigation for selling baby body parts -- gets roughly \$60 million per year through what has become a slush fund for the abortion giant.

"Planned Parenthood and other abortion centers will now have to choose between dropping their abortion services from any location that gets Title X dollars and moving those abortion operations offsite. Either way, this will loosen the group's hold on tens of millions of tax dollars.



"The pro-life Congress will get another crack at Planned Parenthood's federal gravy train in multiple federal programs in which they get over \$400 million each year. Until then, President Trump continues to fulfill his campaign promise that his administration will advocate for mothers and their unborn children every day he occupies the White House and take important steps to ensure taxpayers are not subsidizing the abortion industry," concluded Perkins.

- Family Research Council, May 18, 2018