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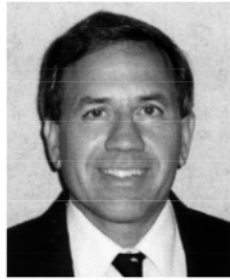
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## *Fall 2022 ACTION Newsletter*



### *Message from the President...*

## **House GOP Makes “Commitment to America” by Robert Kettering**

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Recently at a press conference from a suburb of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, House Minority Leader, Kevin McCarthy stated, “Republicans have a plan for a new direction, lowering costs, restoring U.S. energy independence and securing our border. These are our top priorities. We simply can not afford two more years of business as usual in Washington, we need change now”!

The Commitment also includes a parents “Bill Of Rights” to give Americans more say in what goes on in public schools. The legislation would expand school choice, provide post-pandemic resources for students and block male born transgender athletes from competing in women's sports.

Republicans are also proposing mandating voter I.D. at the polls and increasing access for election observers.

The GOP's legislative roadmap was inspired by former House Speaker Newt Gingrich's 1994 “Contract With America”. Gingrich, who was consulted by the GOP lawmakers who drafted the party's new legislative vision, said that the document was a breakthrough designed entirely by the new generation of Republican leaders. “This was more sophisticated, has more member involvement, and is a real blueprint for governing. It's very, very impressive”.

On healthcare, the GOP plan seeks to expand affordable options and create more transparency in pricing and care.

Republicans are expected to retake the House majority in the November midterm election when they need a net gain of only five seats to flip the lower chamber.

Please pray for this upcoming election. Pray that Americans would have discernment in this election. Pray that Godly men and women would be elected all across our land and pray that evil men and women would be defeated.

*“The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing.”*

Edmund Burke

## Planned Parenthood Opens New Location in Lancaster County

Planned Parenthood made its official opening announcement of the Lancaster location in September, marking its ninth facility in Central Pennsylvania. In its press release, Planned Parenthood called the opening a “significant milestone” for the region.

To conduct abortions at the facility, the Pennsylvania Department Of Health requires abortion providers to attain a “transfer agreement” for emergency treatment with a local hospital within 30 minutes of the facility for patients suffering complications. Previous attempts by Planned Parenthood to provide abortions in the county were denied, in part because a transfer agreement could not be reached. Melissa Reed, president and CEO of Planned Parenthood Keystone, told media outlets last week that they expect to secure the transfer agreement “soon”.

However, in social media posts last week, Lancaster County Commissioner Josh Parsons said local hospitals should think about the consequences of signing on to Planned Parenthood's transfer agreement request. Parsons said he would “anticipate” any hospital accepting the transfer agreement “will see many people and organizations, including Lancaster County government, reevaluate relationships they have with such an organization.” Parsons said the Declaration of Independence “clearly articulated” that life is the fundamental unalienable right and that “governments are created to protect these rights. The vast majority of the citizens of Lancaster County, myself included, are opposed to Planned Parenthood's stated mission to bring abortion on demand to Lancaster County,” Any hospital cooperating with them in this mission would be not only acting against the wishes of this majority of citizens, but also acting in opposition to the fundamentals of the Hippocratic Oath- do no harm.”

Fellow Commissioner Ray D'Agostino followed suit with his own statement on social media, “Planned Parenthood's announcement that they intend to bring abortion to Lancaster County is abhorrent and reprehensible, the majority of Lancastrians made their stance known previously on abortion in this community and will do so again”.

Congressman Lloyd Smucker also issued a statement on Planned Parenthood offering chemical abortions at the facility, calling it a “sad day for our community” if abortions are permitted in Lancaster. “I believe strongly in the sanctity of life and I know many of my fellow Lancastrians share the same sentiment. I vehemently oppose their plans to offer chemical abortions services”.

Michael Geer, president of the Pennsylvania Family Institute was one of the leading voices the last time Planned Parenthood sought to conduct abortions in the county. Geer said an “outpouring of support throughout the county” helped keep medical abortions from coming to Lancaster. But he said the fact that they now seek to conduct chemical abortions doesn't make it any less tragic. Geer said the chemical abortion pills have known side-effects, including bleeding in the mother that can lead to emergency room visits. “There's a wide swath of pro-life people in the county who will be very troubled at this news. Those who have heard already have started to coalesce, to work to see how they can possibly stop this or in some way to impact PP's efforts to do abortions here.”



# JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST!

## Lancaster County ACTION Quarterly Breakfast Meeting

Saturday, Oct 8, 2022 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Eden Resort - Regency Ballroom

222 Eden Rd, Lancaster



**Our Speaker Is:**

**Michael Geer**

**Topic: Pennsylvania After Roe**

*Michael Geer is the Founding President and CEO of the Pennsylvania Family Institute*

Please reserve your seat at the quarterly breakfast by calling the ACTION office (717-847-0902) or emailing LancoAction@gmail.com by Tuesday, Oct 4, 2022. The cost is \$18.00 per person. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged.

## A Message from the Treasurer - Is Your Membership Current?

### ATTENTION - ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES POLICY CHANGE

The LCA "membership annual dues" is \$20.00 per family membership. In the past, dues were calculated by the members' anniversary date. The new policy is that annual dues will be scheduled to be paid based on January 1st of each calendar year. Each membership payment is due at that time. Please check your mailing label. If your membership is current, 2022 will appear on the label. Exp means your membership has expired and payment for 2022 is due. Thanks for your support!

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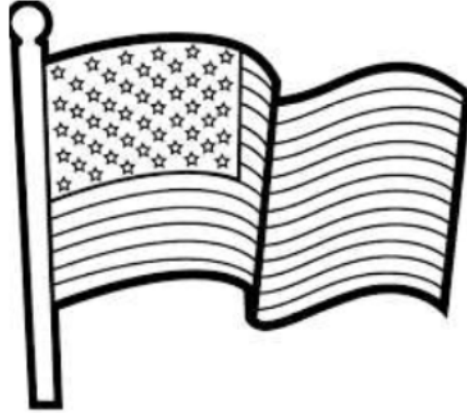
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The religion which has introduced civil liberty, is the religion of Christ and His apostles, which enjoins humility, piety, and benevolence, which acknowledges in every person a brother, or a sister, and a citizen with equal rights. This is genuine Christianity, and to this we owe our free constitutions of government.

- Noah Webster

