After the jubilation over the reversal of Roe v. Wade came the devastation of the dangerous and extreme Proposal 3 being placed on the November ballot.

The language of the proposal is purposefully vague. Hidden behind seemingly innocuous words lies a deceptive amendment that, if enshrined in the Michigan Constitution, will have serious consequences to any issue related to pregnancy.

Proposal 3 will usurp parental rights. Children will be able to get an abortion without the consent or notification of a parent or legal guardian.

Proposal 3 will allow for late-term abortions. The legislature will not be able to pass any restrictions on abortions, which will be legal until the moment of birth.

Proposal 3 will require taxpayer funding of abortion and will exempt abortion facilities from health and safety regulations.

Proposal 3 will allow anyone to perform an abortion. Any health care professional will be able to kill unborn children, including massage therapists, acupuncturists, and athletic trainers.

All people of good conscience must vote no on Proposal 3.

To discover how extreme Proposal 3 is visit www.grrtl.org/2022.

Vote Prolife

To put issues like taxes, the economy, or education policy before the most basic protection of human life is ethically questionable. People must vote for candidates who do not advocate for the unfettered killing of defenseless children. The legal “right” to take the life of an unborn child for social and economic reasons must end. The most vital action to end this destruction of innocent life is an informed vote.

To vote for life, get a list of prolife candidates who will be on the November ballot. www.rtl.org/legislation/ballot

Did You Know . . .

Right to Life of Michigan PAC has endorsed

Tudor Dixon
Governor

Matthew DePerno
Attorney General

Kristina Karamo
Secretary of State

For a personalized list of endorsed prolife candidates visit www.rtl.org.
Educational Outreach

A screening of the documentary film *Created Equal: Clarence Thomas in His Own Words* was a sold-out event held at Celebration! Cinema North. Viewers learned about Thomas’ early life, his personal struggles, and his work as a prolife justice on the U.S. Supreme Court. Held quarterly, Life in the 616 gatherings allowed people to share a cup of coffee and have a casual prolife conversation. Guest speakers presented a unique topic and then led the group in a lively discussion.

Advertising Campaign

To reach women searching for help with an unplanned pregnancy and to embolden people to live their prolife convictions, 8.2 million digital ads were placed online. Six billboards were placed in the city and viewed 400,000 times weekly. Educational radio spots were created for Holy Family Radio, Wood Radio, The Game, and iHeartMedia podcasting and streaming programs. In September, the messaging for all digital ads, radio spots, and 40 billboards changed to defeating Proposal 3.

Public Displays

The Memorial Procession for the Unborn memorialized the 61 million tiny lives lost to abortion over the past 49 years. This car caravan proceeded along 28th Street with messages on the vehicles declaring it was time to end abortion. Grand Rapids Right to Life sent 13 buses, almost 700 people, from Michigan to Washington, DC, for the March for Life. Booths were hosted at the Church Ministries Conference and the Kepha Men’s Catholic Conference.

Fun Ways to Fundraise

Now in its 43rd year, Pedals & Petals was a well-attended, family-friendly fundraiser held at Johnson Park. For the third year in a row, the Prolife Golf Classic was a sold-out event held at Pilgrim’s Run Golf Club. With more than 1,000 items to bid on, the Holiday Auction was a jolly opportunity for supporters to shop early for Christmas. Like all Coins for Kids baby bottle drives, proceeds from the outdoor Car Hop Coin Drop were shared with six local pregnancy care centers.

Contributions

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Delightful Dinners

At Spring into Life, guests enjoyed a cocktail hour, dinner, and a 90-minute concert by Eric Genuis, a virtuoso pianist who shared stories about his daughter, who was born with Down syndrome. Dinesh D’Souza addressed 1,400 people at the 35th annual Focus on Life Benefit Dinner. His presentation laid a game plan for how prolife people must protect the unborn. Businesswoman and Kentwood City Commissioner Jessica Ann Tyson was the emcee for the event.

Student Activities

High school students enjoyed Leadership for Life Base Camp, a day of intense prolife training. Margaret Duba won the Senior Prolife Essay Contest and Kyla Koestner won the Junior Prolife Essay Contest and the national contest. Gianna Dugan, Lillian Mantooth, Kimberlin Mayhew, Lainey Roth, and Hope Siwek won a March for Life scholarship. Gabriel Zylstra won the High School Oratory Contest. Emma Ammerman received the DJ Zarnosky Life Leadership Award.

Election Activism

Candidates were invited to speak about their prolife convictions at Vote Life, a summer picnic that brought voters and politicians together. This election season, Grand Rapids Right to Life designed and sold 250 Vote Pro Life yard signs. Volunteers conducted interviews with candidates seeking the Right to Life of Michigan PAC endorsement. To defeat Proposal 3, volunteers made 4,200 phone calls, knocked on 10,500 doors, distributed 6,000 flyers, and placed 500 bumper stickers on cars.

Ongoing Efforts

Grand Rapids Right to Life publishes six issues of Newsgram, which is mailed to 3,000 households. Voices for Life is an e-newsletter focused on minority issues sent quarterly to 3,100 subscribers. Cards promoting local agencies that offer support for women and babies, fun fetal development facts, and simple prolife apologetics were created and distributed for free. Prolife items were available for purchase in the store. Dynamic speakers gave 17 presentations at churches and schools.

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- Gayle Becker
- Kelly Marie Six
- Dennis & Linda Biggins
On January 20, participants will celebrate the 50th annual March for Life and the momentous overturn of *Roe v. Wade*. It is a time to honor those who have made this historic victory possible and to present the plan for building a culture of life. This year’s theme is Marching Forward in a Post-Roe America because the work to build a culture of life in the United States is far from finished.

The power to protect the unborn has now returned to the American people through their elected representatives. This year, rather than marching to the steps of the Supreme Court, attendees will march to a new front in the battle for life; the steps of the United States Capitol.

Don’t miss this opportunity to attend the largest prolife event in the world.

Travel options vary by dates, day or night travel, and hotel locations. There’s a trip available for every schedule and budget.

For more information or reservations, contact Betty Besteman at 616-516-0082 or at elizabethbesteman@yahoo.com.