



Fact Sheet: John Kerry's Opposition to the Unborn Victims of Violence Act

Today, President Bush Signs Into Law The Unborn Victims Of Violence Act (UVVA). This new law acknowledges a common-sense proposition: When a crime of violence against a pregnant woman kills or injures her unborn child, there are two victims, and two offenses that should be punished.

John Kerry Voted Against Final Passage Of UVVA

Sharon Rocha, Mother Of Laci Peterson And Grandmother Of Conner Peterson, Sought Kerry's Support Of UVVA. "Please understand how adoption of such a single-victim proposal would be a painful blow to those, like me, who are left to grieve after a two-victim crime, because Congress would be saying that Conner and other innocent victims like him are not really victims -- indeed, that they never really existed at all." (Sharon Rocha, Mother Of Laci Peterson, Letter To Senator John Kerry [D-MA] As Provided On National Right To Life Committee Website, <http://www.nrlc.org>, 7/7/03)

Kerry Would Call Murder Of An Unborn Child A "Termination Of Pregnancy Or Interruption Of The Normal Course Of Pregnancy." Senator Kerry would treat the murder of an unborn child as a crime committed solely against the mother. He voted in favor of an amendment that would have characterized murdering an unborn child as the "termination of pregnancy or interruption of the normal course of pregnancy." (Amendment: http://www.nrlc.org/Unborn_victims/FeinsteinAmendment.html)

Kerry Chose To Play Abortion Politics. "Although this legislation exempts performing abortions from prosecution, this bill would clearly impact a woman's right to choose to terminate her pregnancy, as that right is set forth in *Roe vs. Wade*." (Sen. John Kerry [D-MA], E-mail To A Constituent As Provided On National Right To Life Committee Website, <http://www.nrlc.org>, 6/27/03)

The Fact Is UVVA Specifically Exempts Abortion. The language in the bill unambiguously exempts abortion from being covered.

John Kerry Is Out Of Touch With Mainstream Values

While Senator Kerry Has Skipped 78 Percent Of His Senate Votes This Year, He Made A Point Of Coming Back To Vote Against The Unborn Victims Of Violence Act.

Kerry Has Voted At Least Six Times Against Banning Partial-Birth Abortion.

Kerry Says, "There Is No Such Thing As A Partial Birth." (Glen Johnson, "Kerry Hits Ban On Abortion Procedure," *The Boston Globe*, 11/6/03)

Kerry Voted To Allow Federal Money To Be Used To Distribute The Morning-After Abortion Pill In America's Schools.

Kerry Has Voted At Least Three Times Against Requiring Parental Consent Or Notification For A Minor's Abortion.

Kerry Has Voted At Least 25 Times In Favor Of Using Taxpayer Dollars To Pay For Abortions In The United States.

Kerry Says Reversing Mexico City Policy Would Be His First Executive Order. LARRY KING: "What would be the first executive order?" KERRY: "Reverse the Mexico City policy on the gag rule so that we take a responsible position globally on family planning." (CNN/Los Angeles Times, Democrat Presidential Candidate Debate, Los Angeles, CA, 2/26/04)

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