

RIGHTS OF THE UNBORN

Mr. Chuck Strahl (Fraser Valley East, Ref.): Mr. Speaker, I have the privilege of presenting two different petitions today.

One is signed by 387 of my constituents regarding the issue of abortion. Now that an abortion clinic is opening across the street from the Parliament Buildings the issue is receiving new life and I hope higher priority on the political agenda.

My constituents are concerned that unborn human beings do not receive the same protection as those who are allowed to be born and they request that Parliament act immediately to extend protection to the unborn child.

I too am concerned that there is currently no law in Canada protecting unborn children.

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Mr. Chuck Strahl (Fraser Valley East, Ref.): Mr. Speaker, I also have the privilege of presenting two additional petitions today signed by 124 of my constituents.

Their concern has led them to sign a statement which says that a majority of Canadians believe that same sex couples should not receive the same privileges as heterosexual couples. They also say that the Canadian human rights code should not be amended to include the undefined phrase sexual orientation.

I share their concerns and I want them to know that I concur with their sentiments.

ASSISTED SUICIDE

Mr. Paul Szabo (Mississauga South, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, I rise to present three petitions to the House.

In the first one the petitioners pray that Parliament ensures that the present provisions of the Criminal Code of Canada prohibiting assisted suicide be enforced vigorously and that Parliament make no changes in the law which would sanction or allow the aiding or abetting of suicide or active or passive euthanasia. I concur with this petition.

HUMAN RIGHTS

Mr. Paul Szabo (Mississauga South, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, the second petition has to do with the issue of sexual orientation.

The petitioners pray that Parliament not amend the Canadian Human Rights Act or the Charter of Rights and Freedoms in any way which would tend to indicate societal approval of same sex relationships or of homosexuality, including amending the Canadian Human Rights Act to include in the prohibited

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grounds of discrimination the undefined phrase sexual orientation. I concur with this petition.

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Mr. Paul Szabo (Mississauga South, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, my third petition has to do with the rights of unborn human beings.

The petitioners of Mississauga South and the surrounding area pray that Parliament act immediately to extend protection to the unborn child by amending the Criminal Code to extend the same protection enjoyed by born human beings to unborn human beings. I concur with this petition.

HUMAN RIGHTS

Mr. Tom Wappel (Scarborough West, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, I have three petitions.

The first petition is signed primarily by constituents of Scarborough West but also surrounding areas. They pray and request that Parliament not amend the Canadian Human Rights Act or the Charter of Rights and Freedoms in any way which would tend to indicate societal approval of same sex relationships or of homosexuality, including amending the Human Rights Act to include the prohibited grounds of discrimination the undefined phrase sexual orientation.

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Mr. Tom Wappel (Scarborough West, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, the second petition is signed primarily by residents of the town of Frankford, Ontario who have requested me to bring this petition to the attention of the House.

They have asked that Parliament act immediately to extend protection to the unborn child by amending the Criminal Code to extend the same protection enjoyed by born human beings to unborn human beings.

ASSISTED SUICIDE

Mr. Tom Wappel (Scarborough West, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, the third petition is signed primarily by residents of Smiths Falls, Perth and Lanark in Ontario. They have asked me to present this petition for them.

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The petitioners ask that Parliament ensure that the present provisions of the Criminal Code of Canada prohibiting assisted suicide be enforced vigorously and that Parliament make no changes in the law which would sanction or allow the aiding or abetting of suicide or active or passive euthanasia.

I concur with all three of these petitions.

LEONARD PELTIER

Mr. Peter Adams (Peterborough, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, I have two petitions on the matter of Leonard Peltier. One has 175 or so