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Position and District Sought*: US SENATE

Are you an incumbent for this office?*: NO

Have you previously held an elected position?*: NO

: N/A

: I am seeking the endorsement from Right to Life

: Welfare/Entitlement Reform
Overturning Roe v. Wade

1. Do you support reversal of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton?: YES

Comment - Question 1: As a private citizen and long before running for Federal office, I have been involved with the pro-life movement and have friendships with Father Frank Pavone / Priests for Live and consult with Alveda King, Civil Rights for the Unborn specifically working to bring the truths and direct discussions to communities that traditionally wouldn't have an interest in a republican or conservative candidate. I have a concentrated effort to remove Senator Brown from office and this is one of the most critical issues we face if he remains in the United States Senate Seat.

2. Do you support federal and state legislation to ban abortion-on-demand from fertilization to birth?: YES

Comment - Question 2: Given the fact that my husband and I required fertility assistance to conceive, I understand with factual and scientific evidence the exact moment conception occurs. I understand this deeper than most. I still have every photo and every step of conception and can speak intimately to these truths. When utilizing therapies, there's also a component not talked about my most. Many times, there's life created beyond what a couple anticipated. My husband and I went through MULTIPLE rounds of fertility assistance to allow every single "life potential" baby the chance at life in my womb. This is a part of the process not discussed in most circles. Many times, couples go into fertility assistance with a number of children in mind and that's not the way God works. You may be planning for 2 fertilized embryos and no more than that- but God determines how many embryos are created. We knew as a couple that regardless of the amount of potential lives we created through fertility assistance, each embryo, was given a chance at life and I went through multiple fertility treatments for every frozen embryo. We consulted with our pastor and faith group and believed each embryo was a potential life. We had two sons through multiple

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3. Do you support legislation that prohibits distributing tax money for any reason to organizations that promote or perform abortions domestically and in foreign countries?: YES

Comment - Question 3: I propose we shift costs associated to killing the unborn back into effective and affordable adoption programs for parents.

4. Do you oppose abortion being funded, subsidized, or otherwise promoted in government programs or education?: YES

Comment - Question 4: Education reform is a huge part of my platform. Promoting planned parenthood or likeminded institutions under the guise of "Health Care for Women" is propaganda to our children. Planned parenthood has about as much to do with planning for parenthood as the affordable health care act had to do with affordable healthcare coverage. Children are being indoctrinated through a liberal agenda. I've had the opportunity to work with school teachers in the private and public sector on my campaign and the theme remains the same (regardless of political affiliation) - Historical facts seem to be omitted when discussing the story of Planned Parenthood, the practice of eugenics etc.-- Children are being taught behaviors through social conditioning and educational institutions that aren't in the interest of morality and long term implications are being dismissed with "quick fixes"- Abortion is not birth control and the long term effects and damage to the birthmother and the father are beyond devastating. Why aren't we talking about those implications after the decision is made?

5. Do you oppose any legislation that promotes or encourages healthcare rationing for the elderly and other vulnerable people?: YES

Comment - Question 5: I owned a home healthcare company and had partnerships with hospice organizations. We literally watched the cycle of life play out and were there to care for the client and client family members.

These were the most vulnerable and emotional times in another human beings life.

Allowing dehumanizing legislation to even come to the table for discussion is reckless.

The thought of someone in government or otherwise, placing life value on another human being through "parameters" of perceived viability is the definition of devaluation of human life.

There were times when relatives of a client had interests outside of ensuring their loved ones were receiving the best care. I WOULD NEVER support any legislation that gave another human being or a vulnerable person the reigns to decide what is a worthwhile life. God is the author of that story, not man.

6. Do you support legislation prohibiting the killing of human embryos used for scientific research?: NO

Comment - Question 6: Through my own documented fertility story above, I explained the decision made between my husband and I to give every single embryo a chance at life and went through multiple fertility cycles in an effort to do so.

We were given options with our embryos as part of the counseling before/after conception. Because of my small size and weight, I could only handle two embryos at a time through each cycle and we were blessed with more than we anticipated! Even though the quality wasn't considered the best by the professionals, we froze every embryo!

These are your options after going through a fertility process with all life potentials. 1. Destroy the embryos if you are happy with the amount of children you achieved through fertility 2. Leave them as souls frozen in time (my words) 3. Donate to research 4. Adopt them to a family wanting to conceive or 5. Go through multiple cycles myself to prepare the womb and give every embryo a chance. My husband and I chose to give each baby a chance by going through multiple fertility treatments. For years we just became accustomed to shots and fertility as a normal part of life. We gave each embryo the same chance as our sons who are here today! Even the embryo's that had a low chance of fertility were all given a chance.

They were our's made between my egg and my husbands sperm and Gods grace through the hands of the physician. We conceived 2 children. I have all of the pictures from the very moment of conception and I know when life begins!

7. Do you support legislation prohibiting all cloning of human beings?: NO

Comment - Question 7:

8. Do you support legislation prohibiting assisted suicide in Ohio?: NO

Comment - Question 8:

9. Will you vote for leadership in the House/Senate that upholds pro-life principles?: YES

Comment - Question 9: ONLY will vote for pro-life leaders

10. Do you support the union of one man and one woman as the only definition of marriage that should be legally recognized at all levels of government?: YES

Comment - Question 10: My husband and I have members in our own family who are gay. I get the question often about my view of marriage. My definition is Holy matrimony as defined by God. I think my life of being married to a man is evident of what my position of marriage is for my life.

Having family members and friends who believe otherwise and hold civil unions are a choice they have made. If Christians truly want to extend the grace and hand of Christ, I think they stand a better chance of bringing others closer to God through the word.

I don't believe you can bring truth to others by slamming the door in their face because they have selected civil unions to the same sex.

I love my brothers and sisters in their sin as much as I would hope Christ loves me in my sin as well. I have a dear friend who is gay and very ill. He's also a non-believer. I have an obligation as a brother in Christ and by Christ's word to extend the hand of love and pray for him.

When I had dinners with him, I always prayed for us and he would bow his head right along with me. I invited him to church with me and he never accepted. It didn't mean I cut him off, it meant I had to step my game up and continue to work on his heart through truth in Christ. You have to love people through their sin.

One of my dearest friends in High School is now gay. I talk to her about Jesus any chance I get. Don't you think that's how we should be treating one another as brothers and sisters of the faith and as leaders?

Government has never defined marriage between Rich and I when we exchanged vows. Gods word defined that for us. If government defined it, we would have failed just like most of their programs that they define for the masses.

11. Will you oppose any law or regulation that infringes upon an

individual's or organization's rights of conscience by forcing participation in abortion or other immoral practices?: YES

Comment - Question 11: If you look at my business website we clearly state "We are a Christian organization"- If I am asked to do something outside of a moral code in personal or business life, I'll dig my heels in the ground. Man will never define what my moral compass is. Leadership is using a moral code that can be respected by others regardless if they agree or not.

12. Would you work actively to revoke any such laws, regulations or ordinances that infringe upon an individual's or organization's rights of conscience?: YES

Comment - Question 12: Again- I have friends from all walks of life and all faiths. I would never want to impose something defined as immoral to their place of worship or their business to push an agenda outside of their faith and moral compass.

13. List all organizations to which you have contributed time or money in the past four years.: Westside Freewill Baptist
New Path Pregnancy Resource Center
Priests for Life
Big Brothers Big sisters as a "Big Sister"
YMCA T-Ball Coach
NRA
Ohio Gun Collectors Assoc.
Numerous Animal Shelters

