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Planned Parenthood is on the ropes ... because of you!

Becky Visosky, Executive Director Catholic Pro-Life Committee

Dear Friends of Life,

I have some unprecedented information to share with you. Beginning in December, NO abortions took place at the Dallas Planned Parenthood for <u>eight weeks</u>. Praise be to God! The likely culprit? A significant lack of abortionists. The likely cause? <u>You</u>. Five years ago, the Texas pro-life community turned out in the thousands in Austin to support common-sense, health regulations of the abortion industry. Although our fight in Austin was victorious, we saw a heartbreaking setback in Washington D.C. when the U.S. Supreme Court struck down half of the hard-fought law. But in the interim – the landscape of abortion in Texas was **forever changed**.

Abortion facilities refusing to meet the new regulations closed their doors during the long court battle. Staff left; businesses were sold; abortionists moved on; facilities were bulldozed. Case in point: abortionist Lamar Robinson ran a Dallas abortion facility for years until the law required him to upgrade his dilapidated building. Refusing to invest the money to meet the health regulations, he closed his doors, but not before asking to meet with longtime sidewalk counselor Joanne Underwood. In that meeting, Joanne's spiritual mentor Fr. Weinberger was able to pray for and urge Robinson to leave this gory business in his past. And so far, he has. Despite the lack of abortionists at Planned Parenthood and North Park, he has not returned. Thank the Lord!

Sadly, while two of the three abortion wounds on Dallas are struggling, Southwestern abortion facility maintains its stranglehold on desperate mothers in our community. Owner Curtis Boyd's deadly reputation precedes him as he continues to bring in abortionists from other locations to meet the increased traffic at this location. The swelling number of clients and fortress-like construction at Southwestern is one of the most challenging environments our sidewalk counseling ministry has ever faced. **But we are up to the challenge!** With your help, we are increasing our ranks of committed, compassionate counselors and prayer support equipped with new materials and signage to maximize their impact during the critical few minutes they have to save a life.

Behind the front lines, our Project Gabriel and Healing after Abortion ministries continue to provide a helping hand and an open heart for the mothers, fathers, and children our society has abandoned. Of course, fighting this battle means more than healing wounds; it means curing the culture through inspiration and education. Together, we are forging an army, fortified with truth and passion for God's greatest gift – LIFE!

In April, we will celebrate a special anniversary of this mission at our 25th Annual Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner featuring a unique Christian voice in Hollywood, **Kevin Sorbo**. Please visit <u>prolifedallas.org/dinner</u> today to be a part of our Silver Anniversary celebration!

Grace and blessings to you and yours,

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On the cover: Pro-Woman, Pro-Love, Pro-Life Marchers at the 2018 Roe Memorial