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Signs will be distributed at both locations.

Annual Stand Up For Life

**Sunday, October 4, 2026
2:00-3:30 PM**

(rain or shine)

At two locations:

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and

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**You're
Invited**

The Long Island Coalition for Life general meeting welcomes all interested in pro-life activity, education, legislation or volunteering. Our monthly meeting will take place on **Mon., Oct. 26** at **7:30 PM** at Joseph Barry K of C Hall, 45 Heitz Pl., Hicksville.. We will have an Open Forum on "Equal Protection" pro-life debate. See the information below.

All are welcome - please join us! For further info, call LICL at 631-243-1435.

Open Forum on "Equal Protection" Pro-life Debate

Should mothers who have illegal abortions be prosecuted? Join the discussion on this current debate within the pro-life movement at the Long Island Coalition for Life monthly meeting, October 26, 2026. While some argue that the murder of preborn children should be treated the same as murder of born human beings, others say that post-abortive women are also victims of abortion and shouldn't ever be treated as criminals. A presentation will be followed by Q & A and your opinions. The LICL October 26th meeting is at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 45 Heitz Pl., Hicksville, and starts at 7:30 PM. Information: info@prolifeLI.org or 631-243-1435.

Turning Point USA

The Long Island Coalition for Life welcomed guests from TPUSA at our August monthly meeting. Anthony Romano, TPUSA Big Apple College Field Program representative, spoke enthusiastically about ongoing and starting college TPUSA chapters on several Long Island campuses. Madison Brogan, TPUSA's High School representative for the LI/ NYC metro area is working to add to the one LI TPUSA high school chapter. Pro-life outreach is one of the facets of TPUSA's mission. Anthony & Madison ask high school & college students who are interested in starting chapters in their school to check tpusa.com/get-involved for further information, including about local events, email Anthony and/or Madison at anthony.romano@tpusa.com and/or madison.brogan@tpusa.com



TAKE ACTION FOR PRO-LIFE PROGRESS

There are many ways pro-lifers can foster a pro-life mindset in their homes, schools, churches and communities. Rather than become overwhelmed with large projects, a smaller or a singular action is also an effective way to build a more pro-life future. The following idea(s) are offered for this month.

Participate in the LICL's STAND UP FOR LIFE event. Each person present helps spread our positive Choose Life witness. [Details in this issue].

Show a pro-life video to your pro-life group or to other groups/clubs (e.g., social justice, youth club, Christian or conservative high school/college class or club).

LICL Nomination Committee 2027 Slate

Anyone who wishes to be interviewed by the Nominating Committee should notify the Nominating Committee prior to the October General Meeting. The interview will take place with at least two committee members present. Email info@ProLifeLI.org or call 631-243-1435.

Are you registered to vote?

**ELECTION DAY IS
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026
Early Voting Oct. 24 - Nov. 1**

If you have moved, need an absentee ballot, or need more information, see the Board of Election website.
Nassau County: 516-571-8683
www.nassaucountyny.gov/agencies/BOE/index.html Suffolk County: 631-852-4500
www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/BOE



40 Days for Life Fall Campaign Wed., Sept. 23 - Sun. Nov. 11, 2026

- Witness daily at public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 540 Fulton Ave., Hempstead, 516-410-5983
Hempstead40daysforlife@aol.com
- Planned Parenthood, 35 Carmens Rd., Massapequa,
paul.arena29@yahoo.com
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In 2025-26, few votes in Congress on a 'single Life Issue' Bill. And bills like HR.1 hit many Issues

House of	Party/District	Voting Record of Long Island Congressional Members - 119th Congress								
Representatives		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Nicholas LaLota	R, CD-1	X	X	X	O	PP funds pause ended on 7/4/26	PL Passed by voice vote .	All of these Bills sit in various House or Senate Committees .		
Andrew Garbarino	R, CD-2	X	X	Xc	O					
Thomas Suozzi	D, CD-3	O	O	O	O					
Laura Gillen	D, CD-4	O	O	O	O					

X = Pro-life vote O = Anti-life vote c = Co-sponsor of this Bill

HR. = Bill introduced in House of Reps. S. = Bill introduced in Senate PL = Pro-Life bill

- 1) HR.6359/ S.3627: Pregnant Students' Rights Act. All colleges getting Federal funding must tell students of available help to carry pregnancy to term.
- 2) HR.6945/ S.4242: Supporting Pregnant & Parenting Women and Families Act. Affirms Pregnancy Resource Centers. Permits funding them with TANF block grants.
- 3) HR.21/ S.6: Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act. Survivor must be given same type of care as a "wanted" newborn."
- 4) HR.1834 - Breaking the Gridlock Act. Bill includes 3 more years of COVID era ObamaCare subsidies that are exempt from Hyde Amendment.
Note: The vote on HR.1834 was forced by passage of a 'discharge petition' the day before. Of the 4 Reps, only Garbarino voted NO.
- 5) HR.1 - Big Beautiful Bill. Included one year pause of Medicaid funds for PP (with some loopholes)
- 6) HR.5160/S.4109: Stem Cell Therapeutic & Research Reauthorization Act. To fund National Cord Blood Inventory program thru FY 2031. Rep. Garbino co-sponsored HR.5160.
- 7) HR.3235/ S.1630: Information on adoption, list of Pregnancy Resource Centers, and Federal funding to non-profits and telehealth for rural mothers.
- 8) HR.3762/ S.1834: Supporting Healthy Moms and Babies Act. To have Obamcare pay "prenatal, childbirth, neonatal, perinatal, postpartum health care."
- 9) HR.3743 -Supporting Healthy Mothers and Infants Act, 2025. Amends (WIC) to add support for mothers and infants impacted by substance use disorder." Rep. Suozzi co-sponsored HR.3743.

The following bills have been introduced in the 119th Congress (2025-26) but not voted on.

LI reps have not co-sponsored these bills. All are considered Pro-Life bills.

BILLS	
HR.2226/S.3627	1) Let Pregnancy Centers Serve Act. Bans discrimination against organizations that do not participate in abortion. Strengthens Federal conscience laws.
HR.5397/S.2418	2) HEALING Mothers and Fathers Act. To amend 1993 Family & Medical Leave Act to include cases of miscarriage.
HR.589/S.223	3) FACE Act repeal. To repeal the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act
HR.4964/S.3650	4) Child Interstate Abortion Notification Act. To ban taking minors across State lines for an abortion to bypass parental notification laws.
HR.699	5) No US funding of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).
HR.722	6) Life at Conception Act. Equal protection of Life, under 14th Amendment, applies to all human persons, born or preborn.
HR.1465/S.250	7) To codify PLGHA policy (aka Mexico City policy) No US Foreign Aid funds for abortion
HR.720/S.251	8) No "medical expense" tax break if an abortion is paid via a Health Savings Account.
HR.73/S.253	9) Elective abortion won't count as medical deduction on a Tax Return
HR.636	10) Pregnancy Center Defense Act. To provide adequate penalties and remedies for attacks on Pregency Resource centers or places of religious worship.
HR.895	11) Ensuring Justice for Victims of Partial-Birth Abortion Act. To require the AG to investigate alleged violations of the partial birth abortion ban.
HR.2779/S.1384	12) Abortion Funding Awareness Act. States paying for Medicaid abortions with Federal funding must report details to CMS.

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The LICL sends out Candidate Questionnaires each election cycle so that we can better inform our readers of where the candidates stand on pro-life issues. The LICL sent out about 120 Candidate Questionnaires to all known candidates on the Nassau & Suffolk ballots for the following offices: NYS Gov., Lt. Gov., Comptroller, Attorney General, the 4 L.I. US House of Reps. Seats, and the Nassau Co. Legislature. The six questions asked and the responses from the candidates as of the printing of this issue of *Life News* are below.

1. Would you vote for legislation to protect the life of unborn babies from fertilization to birth?
2. Would you vote against use of taxpayer money to fund abortion?
3. Would you vote for Parental Consent for a minor seeking an abortion?
4. Would you vote for legislation to prevent the legalization of euthanasia and assisted suicide?
5. Would you vote to ban all human cloning and research that destroys a human embryo for his/her stem cells?
6. Would you vote to deny taxpayer funding for Planned Parenthood?

NAME (i) = incumbent	Party(s)	Level	for Office	Q #1	Q #2	Q #3	Q #4	Q #5	Q #6
Dean Murray (i)	R, C	NY State	Sn Dist 3	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Brianne R. Wakefield	R, C	NY State	Sn Dist 4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Michael J. Fitzpatrick (i)	R, C	NY State	Ab Dist 8	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Paolo A. Pironi	R, C	NY State	Ab Dist 15	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Olivia G. Pfeifer	R	NY State	Ab Dist 16	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Eric Ari Brown (i)	R, C	NY State	Ab Dist 20	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Benjamin Jackson	R, C	Nass Cnty	Leg Dist 6	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Rose Marie Walker (i)	R	Nass Cnty	Leg Dist 17	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Legend: (i) = Incumbent R = Republican C = Conservative D = Democratic

	Party	District	Bill 1:	Bill 2:	Bill 3:	Bill 4:	Bill 5:	Bill 6:	Bill 7:	Bill 8:
STATE ASSEMBLY			A136	A9217****	A4879b*	A.2137*	10428*	A.6571*	A.885*	A.9175*
Thomas J. Schiavoni	D,WF	1	Y c	Y	c					
Jodi A. Giglio	R,C	2	N	N				Assembly Health Comm. votes		
Joseph DeStefano	R,C	3	N	N	N					
Rebecca Kassay	D	4	Y	Y			No L.I. co- sponsors		No L.I. co- sponsors	No L.I. co- sponsors
Doug Smith	R,C	5	N	N	Assembly Codes or Correction Committee votes					
Phillip R. Ramos	D,WF	6	Y M	ER						
Jarett C. Gandolfo (o)	R,C	7	N	N				Y		
Michael J. Fitzpatrick	R,C	8	N	N						
Michael A. Durso	R,C	9	N	N				Y		
Steve Stern	D	10	Y c	Y						
Kwani B. O'Pharrow	D	11	Y	Y						
Keith P. Brown	R,C	12	N	N						
Charles D. Lavine	D	13	Y c	Y	Y c	c				
David G. McDonough (r)	R,C	14	N	ER						
Jake Ryan Blumencranz (o)	R,C	15	N	ER				Y		
Daniel J. Norber (r)	R,C	16	N	N				Y		
John K. Mikulin	R,C	17	N	N	ER					
Noah Burroughs	D,WF	18	Y c	Y	Y c					
Edward P. Ra	R,C	19	N	N						
Eric Ari Brown	R,C	20	N	N						
Judy Griffin	D	21	Y	Y			<i>State Senate Vote & Legend for State Assembly & Senate on Page 5.</i>			
Michaëlle C. Solages	D,WF	22	N	Y	c					

STATE SENATE	Party	Dist.	Bill 1	Bill 2	Bill 3	Bill 4	Bill 5	Bill 6	Bill 7	Bill 8
NAME			S138 ***	S.8544****	S.4583**	S.135**	S.8656a**	S5981**	S.8866**	S.2058**
Anthony H. Palumbo	R	1	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y
Mario R. Mattera	R,C	2	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Dean Murray	R,C	3	ER	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Monica R. Martinez	D,WF	4	N	Y	N	ER	Y	Y	Y	N
Steven D. Rhoads	R,C	5	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N
Siela A. Byone	D	6	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Jack M. Martins (r)	R,C	7	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Alexis Weik (r)	R,C	8	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N
Pat M. Canzoneri-Fitzpatrick	R, C	9	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N

Bill 1: Medical Aid in Dying, aka Assisted Suicide or Doctor prescribed Suicide
 Bill 2: To allow unadulterated abortion pills to be Rx'd & dispensed in NY, even if US FDA ends approval of the drug
 Bill 3: To require proper prenatal, perinatal and post partum care of incarcerated pregnant women and their offspring.
 Bill 4: To use NY Tax \$ to pay for travel, food, lodging of low-income out of state women who come to NY for abortions.
 Bill 5: To allow mifepristone or misoprostol to be dispensed without name & address of dispenser or patient on the Rx label.
 Bill 6: To establish a comprehensive sexual & reproductive health program that would fund abortion info and providers.
 Bill 7: 'Equity in Fertility Treatment Act' -broadens meaning of "Infertility". Boosts IVF type services Insurance must cover.
 Bill 8: To mandate "emergency contraception" vending machines on public college & university campuses.

Fate of these bills:

Bill 1 - signed into law; Bill 2 - Passed Legislature, not yet delivered to Gov; Bills 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 -Did not advance to a vote by the full Assembly.

LEGENDS FOR ASSEMBLY & STATE SENATE: (State Assembly vote on page 4).

(r) Retiring/not on Nov. ballot D = Democratic R = Republican C = Conservative WF = Working Family

(o) = running for a State Senate seat * = committee vote or co-sponsorship (full assembly never noted on this bill).

ER = Excused c = Cosponsor N = Pro-Life Vote Y = Anti-Life Vote

=Senate passed this bill in 2026; sent to Assembly and "died." *=Assembly passed A136. Senate then substituted A136 for their S138, and then voted to pass substitute bill.

****= Senate passed S.8544. Assembly then replaced their bill with S.8544, and voted to pass substitute bill.

Hope and Healing after Abortion

For more information contact Sisters of Life at
hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org or call
 866-575-0075.

All information is confidential!

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Know where your donations are going. Three pro-life breast cancer research groups are:
www.abortionbreastcancer.com,
www.ppolycarp.org and www.bcpinstitute.org

UNICEF is the UN agency tasked with the care and protection of children around the world. However, it actively promotes what it calls "sexual and reproductive health rights" focusing on adolescents. UNICEF collaborates with other UN agencies to improve access to abortion services globally.

National Pro-Life Bridges Day



Local pro-lifers participated in National Pro-Life Bridges Day on Fri., 7/24 Large banners were displayed on an overpass of the Long Island Expressway. The banners, seen by thousands of eastbound drivers during the 5 PM rush hour, read "Abortion takes a human life" and

"Choose Life for the Unborn Babies." Pro-lifers were greeted heartily by much horn honking.

Looking for local pro-life activities?

The Joint Parish Respect Life Committee website [JPRLC.org] has a calendar of events taking place on Long Island and in the NYC area. If your organization is hosting an event, contact the JPRLC webmaster to have your event included to help increase participation in your event. Check it out: JPRLC.org.

NOTE: Witness sites will be back in November Life News and can be found on ww.ProLifeLI.org.

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ASSISTED SUICIDE: New York State's "Medical Aid in Dying" (Assisted Suicide) law went into effect August 5. On September 3, the <i>New York Times</i> ran an article by Emma Goldberg entitled "<i>The Start-Up that Helps People Die.</i>" On September 4, <i>Lifenews.com</i> posted the article "<i>New York Times Promotes Assisted Suicide</i>" by Alex Schadenberg, executive director of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. Goldberg wrote, "You can think of it as a start-up for better deaths. They have created a one-stop shop...Patients get two medical evaluations and a mental health screening, as well as a prescription for the combination of drugs – sedatives, morphine, lethal doses of cardiac medication – that will kill them." The cost for this 'service' is \$12,000. Goldberg said they will also "help the grieving family after death." When asked about possible conflicts with the Hippocratic Oath, they said, "The Hippocratic Oath says do no harm and I don't think we're harming anyone by doing this. I think we're actually being compassionate and relieving suffering." Schadenberg asked, "You're not harming anyone by prescribing lethal poison for the purpose of suicide? Sadly, killing people may become a lucrative business and the <i>New York Times</i> seems willing to provide free advertising to help them make a killing."		Buying or Selling a Home? Call Me for All Your Real Estate Needs  LIPRealty.com Long Island Premier Realty Brian J. Murphy Real Estate Salesperson License #: 10401367010 (516) 343-9394 mobile (631) 898-5665 office bmurphomes@gmail.com Mailing Address: 34 E. Main St, #240, Smithtown, NY 11787 A portion of my commission will be donated to support Pro-Life causes on Long Island. 	

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To protect innocent human life from fertilization to natural death through education, legislative action, prayer and peaceful presence.

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16th Annual Shower for the Unborn Child

Sun., Oct. 18 2-5 PM
You are Invited!

Shower for the Unborn Child, organized by the students of the Maureen Nolan / St Thomas Knights of Columbus Scholarship program will be held at the Kellenberg High School Millennium Room, 1400 Glen Curtiss Blvd., Uniondale. The purpose of the shower is to collect gifts that will be donated to Mommas House. Please call Mommas House for a list of needed items 516-781-8637. Please encourage this life-affirming work of the scholarship winners by attending or by sending gifts to KMHS. The scholarship winners will detail their pro-life activities from prior years. A light lunch will be provided.



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Stand Up For Life

Sun., Oct. 4, 2026

2-3:30 PM (rain or shine) This is a nation-wide event. There is strength in unity. Please join us at one of our locations: Manorville, LIE, Exit 70S along Cty. Rd. 111, Peter at 631-289-2095. Huntington at Rtes. 110 & 25, Jack at 516-724-6821.

Soundview 2026 Annual Gala

Thurs. Oct. 8 6:30-9:00 PM

Crest Hollow Country Club, Woodbury
Keynote Speaker: Ryan Bomberger, Co-Founder of the Radiance Foundation
More info & register: www.FriendsofSoundview.org
Soundview Pregnancy Services

You're Invited

An evening of fun, fellowship & "Winning for Life"

Casino Night

Friday Oct. 23 6:30-11:30 PM

Leonard's Palazzo, 555 Northern Blvd., Great Neck
Sponsored by The Bridge to Life
For more info call 718-463-1810 or email events@thebridgetolife.org