IMPACT OF ABORTION ON THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY

Our national abortion policy has a disproportionate impact on the African American community. In fact, in 2010 (latest data available), some 403,145 African American babies were aborted,1 which is 40% more than the number of African Americans (286,959) who died from the next 13 top causes of death combined in that year.2 Government data indicate that in 2008, Blacks aborted 42.1% of their pregnancies, Whites aborted 15.2% and Hispanics aborted 20.4%.3

The Tuskegee Institute has reported that over the 87 years from 1882 through 1968, 3,446 Blacks were lynched in the United States.4 In 2010, that many Black babies were killed in the womb in just over 3 days.

More recent data indicate that although African American women made up only about 15% of women of child-bearing age (15-44) in 2010, they had 35.7% of the abortions, or about 2.4 times more than their numbers in the population would lead one to expect. Similar statistics hold for Ohio and local counties, as we may see in the table below.

Percent of Ohio Residents Who Are African American and Percent of Abortions Obtained by African Americans in Ohio and Selected Counties, 2012.

Government Unit	Percent African American	Percent of Abortions	No. of Times Greater Than Expected
State of Ohio	12.2	39.5	3.2
Cuyahoga County	29.7	63.2	2.1
Lake County	3.2	13.3	4.2
Lorain County	8.6	25.4	2.9
Medina County	1.2	4.2	3.5
Portage County	4.1	14.9	3.6
Stark County	7.6	23.6	3.1
Summit County	14.4	38.7	2.7

Source: U.S. Census Bureau (on line) and *Induced Abortions in Ohio*,2012. Ohio Dept. of Health, October, 2013. Population estimates are based on the 2010 Census.

If you would like more information on this topic, you may go to the following websites:

www.kingforamerica.comwww.nationalblackprolifeunion.comwww.blackgenocide.orgwww.protectblacklife.orgwww.issues4life.orgwww.LifeAlways.com

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