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HUMAN CLONING — SEMANTIC GYMNASTICS

By J.C. Willke, MD

e thought the anti-life people were quite clever in covering up what happens in an abortion by their use of various misleading terms to describe what actually happens. For example, using terms like fetus instead of baby, or choice over abortion. Now the cloning people are feverishly working on the same strategy. A South Korean scientist, Woo Suk Hwang, who created 11 human clones, said, "Cloning a human being is nonsense. It is technically impossible. It is not cloning. It is Somatic Cell Nuclear Transfer." But. guess what? Somatic Cell Nuclear Transfer is the scientific term describing human cloning – it's exactly the same thing.

What Dr. Hwang seems to oppose is creating a living human embryo by cloning, and then planting that new human in a womb to carry to term and deliver an infant. He has conveniently tried to change the meaning of the word "clone" to indicate only when that procedure is carried to term. In fact, he is creating a living embryonic human clone who then is killed for the stem cells within him or her for other research.

It is becoming obvious that those who want to clone humans will never use the word clone if they can avoid it. An alternative term that they use for the created human embryo is "Nuclear Transfer Construct." Another comment was that this is "a process by which a blastocyst is made." However, both are human cloning.

The term blastocyst is a medical term used to describe a human embryo who is four to six days old. But when they call this "thing" a blastocyst, most of the listeners' ears tell them that this is not human.

Most of our readers have heard that there are two kinds of cloning. "Reproductive" cloning is when this new human is planted in her womb, brought to term and delivered. "Therapeutic" cloning is when the same new human is killed for his or her embryonic stem cells or for other lethal experimentation.

This is more semantic gymnastics, as there is only one type. Since killing is not therapeutic, this term is a lie. President Bush calls it "research" cloning, an accurate label. But we should call it "clone to kill" for that is what it is.

In mid-May Dr. Hwang began with 185 female eggs that were extracted from 18 women. Thirty-one had their nucleus removed and replaced with a nucleus from the person whom he wanted to clone. These artificially fertilized eggs started to subdivide in the normal growth process of a human embryo. Only one successful clone, however, was produced for every 17 eggs that were cloned. Of these, 11 apparently grew to the blastocyst stage. He then cut these tiny humans open and extracted their embryonic stem cells, which killed them. With these, he created 11 stem cell lines that reproduced themselves in culture tubes.

Why a clone?

Why create a human clone to get embryonic stem cells when you can more easily obtain such cells from thousands of available frozen embryos? There are three significant objections to using embryonic stem cells from frozen embryos.

I. Since such stem cells would come from

the body of another living human, they would have a different DNA. This then could be recognized by the recipient's body as foreign tissue, like a transplanted kidney. This tissue could be rejected.



- 2. Such embryonic stem cells could carry infection. In a worse case scenario, if the donor woman, whose embryo was frozen, had AIDS and you extract the embryonic stem cells and use them to treat another person, that person would also have AIDS. In a recent case, a lady, who had died, willed her organs for transplant. Four people each received one of her organs, which carried a lethal virus and three of them died
- 3. Plasticity is the major

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Fallout From Pro-Abortion Speakers

ommencement time for graduates has just passed. We again heard bad news about some of the invitees speaking at graduations, but in sharp contrast to two years ago, there was much more good news.

First the bad news. The University of Western Ontario granted an honorary degree to the notorious Canadian abortionist, Henry Morgantaler. Reacting to honoring this man, pro-life groups protested sharply, including a large demonstration at the university on the day of graduation. There was a silver lining to this otherwise unfortunate event. It was that a major donor to the university publicly rescinded a two million dollar bequest. The university's board of governors admitted, "thousands of alumni were upset, and that had some effect."

But the good news outnumbered the bad. First, we offer three cheers and congratulations to Summit Country Day School in Cincinnati, Ohio. They canceled an earlier invitation to the aggressively proabortion governor of Kansas, Kathleen Sebelius. A graduate of the school and a titular Catholic, Governor Sebelius has an unbroken record of aggressive pro-abortion activity. When in the Kansas House, she sponsored legislation to make Roe v Wade a permanent Kansas law. If the Supreme Court ever reversed this decision, the goal was to insure that abortion would remain legal until birth in the state of Kansas. She voted to require taxpayer funding of abortion and against parental notification for minors. Sebelius also voted against requiring informed consent for women seeking abortions. Recently, there had been much publicity about unsanitary, insectridden and filthy conditions in abortion clinics. A law was passed to require them to meet the same health requirements as any freestanding surgical facility. vetoed it. After which two more women died in these clinics. The law was passed again with enough votes to override her Sebelius lobbied aggressively, changing several minds, so that when she

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vetoed the new law, the override failed. She even line item vetoed a three hundred thousand dollar appropriation to help poor women with their pregnancies. Two days after her pro-abortion record had been called to the attention of the school, its board of governors rescinded the invitation.

Little publicity was given to another very interesting happening. New York's Cardinal Egan had instructed Marymount Manhattan College to not invite Hillary Clinton as a commencement speaker because of her strong pro-abortion stand and voting record. The school refused to comply. In reaction, the Cardinal publicly instructed the college to quit calling itself Catholic.

The Archbishop of New Orleans refused to attend the graduation ceremony at Loyola University because they were honoring Louisiana Senator Mary Landrieu who has a pro-abortion voting record. Baltimore Cardinal Keeler boycotted Maryland's Loyola College because it was honoring former New York mayor Rudy Giuliani who is pro-abortion.

Finally, a pro-abortion "Catholic" Sherwood congressman, Boehlert. withdrew from speaking at St. Elizabeth's College in Utica, New York when Syracuse Bishop J. Moynihan publicly opposed his appearance.

All of the above good news is from Catholic institutions. It is a trend that all pro-lifers should cheer, for certainly, some Catholic institutions in the past have had a very spotty record on this. Why the change? The main reason was that last summer the National Conference of US Catholic Bishops published a statement that read in part, "the Catholic community and Catholic institutions should not honor those who act in defiance of our fundamental moral principles. They should not be given awards, honors or platforms which would suggest support for their actions." And all pro-lifers can only say, Amen! 2

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problem. This means that embryonic stem cells very often grow wild when planted in another human. They can and do develop into many different types of body cells: skin, bone, kidney etc. These can form tumors and be fatal.

If Dr. Hwang's efforts were to bear fruit, human clones would be created to have their embryonic stem cells removed. If they would be able to be used to treat other humans, it would seem that the

research. There is no such thing. The only ban is on the use of federal tax money. President Bush authorized tax money to be used only for certain embryonic stem cell lines already in existence when he set-up that policy. It prohibits creating new embryonic stem cell lines by killing living human embryos.

However, several states have moved in this direction. California voted to use three billion dollars for embryonic stem cell research and human cloning. Massachusetts and Connecticut have these tiny little humans are in the "concentration can," as Professor Lejuene so aptly put it. We are told that unless they are put to good use, they will all be destroyed (they would never say killed). Actually, ninety to ninety-five percent of frozen embryos have not been released by their parents. Some of the remaining parents will not authorize them to be used for destructive research. When thawed out, about fifty percent of these tiny humans die. Only a small percent of those who survive can be implanted and continue their growth

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objection of tissue rejection has been solved. The reason being that the nucleus in those cells comes from the patient and is returned to the patient. But the shell, and much of the interior structure of that original egg, still comes from a different human. Contained in it, for example, are tiny substances from the donor woman called mitochondria, as well as other substances. If this were a hen's egg, you could compare the nucleus to the yolk. The other material would be compared to the white of the egg. So, will this "egg white" be recognized by the recipient's body as foreign tissue and also cause rejection? No one knows, but that possibility certainly exits.

The objections of carrying infection and tumor formation are not in any way resolved by what Dr. Hwang has done. In particular, tumor formation looms as an almost absolute barrier to the use of human embryonic stem cells, whether they come from someone else's frozen embryos or from your own cloned embryo.

We frequently hear about the federal ban on embryonic stem cell

followed suit. New Jersey is the worst of all. Its legislature authorized money to do human cloning but with a new twist. An ancient Hebraic law says, "Thou shalt not kill." This has morphed into a human rights law on the books of every nation of the world. However, New Jersey has now said something different. Not only can you create new humans by cloning, but if after two or three weeks of life, you *do not kill* them, you go to jail. This is a first.

We seem to be on our way, in some states and in Korea and other countries, to creating human embryo farms. If Senator Orrin Hatch and others have their way, the US will pass laws authorizing funding for embryonic stem cell research which he has correctly called, "the critical first step to cloning." On the positive side, this spring the United Nations General Assembly, by better than a two-thirds margin, overwhelmingly passed a ban forbidding all human cloning. Sadly, this is not binding on other nations.

What about those "surplus frozen embryos?" Some fairly wild numbers are being quoted. Hundreds of thousands of

toward infancy.

One positive answer is to adopt "snowflake" embryos. These are frozen human embryos whose parents no longer want to implant them. They have generously allowed them to be adopted and planted into another woman's womb. In a heartwarming press conference, President Bush was surrounded by these bouncing babies and their parents. During which he pledged to veto any bill that would authorize federal funding of embryonic stem cell research. Keep tuned.



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LEGAL ABORTION ISN'T SAFE ABORTION

By Bradley Mattes

hose who were responsible for legalizing abortion in the seventies claimed that if abortion were legally available, women would be protected from unsafe, back-alley abortionists. Pro-abortion politicians and activists have repeated this mantra over the years, trying to scare the public into keeping abortion-on-demand the status quo.

Is there any truth to their principal argument? Has legal abortion throughout pregnancy for virtually any reason been good for women's physical, emotional and reproductive health? The evidence is clear.

For the last two years, I've researched and documented known cases of women who have suffered at the hands of legal abortion. Keep in mind that abortion has been legal for thirty-two years. These are just the cases I became aware of during a twenty-four month time span when they either occurred or were prosecuted. Undoubtedly there are others.

Paramedics in Valdosta, Georgia were called to an abortion mill on May 9, 2003. Charles Rossmann was aborting a woman who was eight months pregnant. He started the procedure and then left her alone in the abortion mill. She dialed 911 when she went into labor. Paramedics had to force their way into the locked building to find the woman and her newborn baby. They transferred them to the hospital where the child was in critical condition.

An emergency call went into an ambulance company in Cleveland, Ohio. An abortion mill needed to get a bleeding patient to the hospital. The abortionist on the phone coldly said, "I just can't stop the bleeding because I can't see what I'm doing and I want her out of here." Then he added, "Come to the back door."

The state of Pennsylvania rewards its wayward abortionists. Steven Brigham lost his medical license in several states due to questionable medical practices. In spite of being convicted for failing to file an income tax return, and owing over \$40,000

in back rent, Brigham received a contract with the state Department of Health to test patients for STDs.

Arizona abortionist, Brian Finke, was found guilty of twenty-two counts of sexually abusing patients. More than sixty women complained. Half of them testified. He was charged with touching patients inappropriately while under anesthesia and was sentenced to thirty-four years in prison.

Joel Novendstern, a New York abortionist, punctured a woman's uterus when aborting her twenty-three week old baby. He refused to call an ambulance, instead sending her to the hospital in her boyfriend's car. She required emergency surgery, nearly died and is no longer able to have children. The abortionist's medical license was revoked for only six months.

Fifteen-year-old Tamia Russell died in Detroit on January 8, 2004 from a second-trimester abortion. The boyfriend was twenty-four, which constitutes statutory rape. The abortion was also done without Tamia's parents even knowing she was pregnant, also a violation of Michigan law.

Dana Powell had an RU 486 chemical abortion at the Women's Center for Choice in Akron, OH. She is suing the abortion mill, the abortionist, Raymond Robinson, and a nurse, Mike Finke, because the abortion left her sterile.

Pennsylvania abortionist, Harvey Brookman, was fired for operating without a medical license. Steve Brigham, who lost his license in three states and has a reputation for hiring shady abortionists, owns the abortion mill where he worked. Brigham runs more than twelve abortion mills along the East coast.

In April of 2004, Kansas Attorney General, Phill Kline, testified at a hearing before state legislators that a Topeka abortion mill was a health risk for women. This included bloody carpet where abortions were done, rat poison and rat droppings in an adjacent

room. A dead mouse was found in the hallway. Aborted babies and food were kept in the same refrigerator where medical supplies were stored. Krishna Rajanna, abortionist and owner of the mill, has had his medical license permanently revoked.

David Healow, an anesthesiologist, not a surgeon, was moonlighting as an abortionist when he maimed Lorraine Thul, requiring a hysterectomy. The victim said a nurse admonished Healow for being "overzealous" in his technique. The botched abortion took place in a Montana Planned Parenthood clinic. The building had previously operated as a funeral home.

Philip B. Pierre-Louis nearly killed a seventeen-year-old girl in San Bernardino, CA. He punctured her uterus and ripped out three to five feet of her intestines. She spent twelve days in the hospital, nine in intensive care. The abortionist was only given four years probation and a five thousand dollar fine. The only reason he lost his license was because he fled. Tragically, he can legally perform abortions in another state.

Malachy DeHenre performed abortions in Mississippi and Alabama. Both states have revoked his medical license where he left a trail of carnage. An Alabama woman died, another required a hysterectomy and three others were injured.

California abortionist, Joseph Durante, was already on probation and had had his medical license revoked when another abortionist at his mill seriously injured a woman. He has since closed shop, citing lack of business.

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Robelto Osborn had his Florida

medical license revoked for botching several abortions and maiming women. In part, he didn't return emergency phone calls from women who were experiencing severe pain or excessive bleeding. But that didn't

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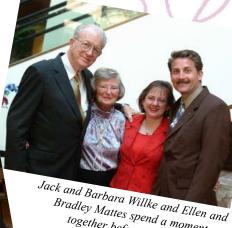
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RVING THE EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF THE PRO-LIFE MOVEM



Emcee, Ken Blackwell, enjoys a laugh with Dr. and Mrs. Willke.





Bradley Mattes spend a moment together before the event.

Dr. Jack Willke Cars

Dr. and Mrs. Willke chat with featured speaker and friend, Steve Forbes.

Bradley Mattes presents Steve Forbes with a bronze statue symbolizing God's forgiveness to the post-abortive woman.

Dr. Willke turned 80 years young on April 5, 2005, the very day we held a "Celebration of Life" banquet in his honor. Those attending came from throughout the nation, as well as Canada. Steve Forbes, Editor in Chief of Forbes Magazine, was the keynote speaker. Master of Ceremonies was Ken Blackwell, Secretary of State of Ohio and candidate for governor. It was an unforgettable event!



Master of Ceremonies, Ken Blackwell, with his wife Rosa.



The Roger Bacon High School band (Dr. Willke's alma mater) leads the crowd in singing "Happy Birthday" to the honored guest.

Taking the Pro-Life Message to Budapest

By Bradley Mattes

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stop him from performing abortions. He was caught doing them in another abortion mill. Police also have a warrant out for Kieron A. Nisbet, in the same location, for administering anesthesia without a medical license.

George Tiller is a notorious late-term abortionist. Locals call him "Tiller the Killer." His sprawling abortion mill has its own on-site incinerator to cremate the babies' bodies. Smoke can be seen rising from the complex, as ash settles on the demonstrators keeping vigil out front. In September of 2004, a woman was transported to the hospital from Tiller's mill, writhing in pain. In addition, two women have recently died, one in January, and another a month later in February. On June 1, witnesses saw Tiller escort a woman to the emergency room of a local hospital. Another botched abortion is suspected.

Liza Berdiel was a receptionist at the Lakewood, NJ abortion mill. She was caught injecting chemical abortion drugs into women after hours and pocketing the money. She's also charged with stealing a prescription pad to write an illegal prescription for a patient. While investigating the case, authorities discovered Flavious Moses Thompson, the abortionist and owner of the mill, was also violating various laws. One of which was flushing the babies' bodies down the toilet, and charged with doing abortions without a license to process medical waste.

Abortionist, Rodolfo Finkelstein of Michigan, has been charged with sexually assaulting women after doing abortions. He faces charges so serious that he could get life in prison. Finkelstein is also charged with five other counts of criminal sexual conduct. He skipped out on a court hearing, and authorities believe the fugitive has fled to his native country of Argentina.

Michigan abortionist, Reginald Sharpe, associated with Finkelstein, has had his license revoked for starting a lateterm abortion and then leaving. Abortion mill staff refused the woman's pleas for help. Her mother ended up delivering the dead baby and then had to call an ambulance. The woman was taken to a hospital and stabilized.

An Illinois appeals court ruled the mother of a thirteen-year-old girl can sue a Chicago abortion mill. A massive overdose of anesthesia drug caused her death.

Abuse Expands

It's tragic that the abortion industry is killing and maiming women while killing their babies. It's also tragic that they're doing it in the name of women's rights. But the abuse of women doesn't seem to be ending there. Evidence shows many abortion mills may be operating without credible malpractice insurance. They claim to be insured by a Bermuda-based insurance company. However, eight states have called it an insurance scam selling false policies and have prohibited it from The National Coalition of operating. Abortion Providers says many abortion mills use this highly questionable Bermuda insurance company. That means many women are at risk of being harmed physically and then may not be able to seek justice for grave bodily harm.

Another alarming trend within the abortion industry is apparent cases of abortion mills all too willing to cooperate with sexual predators. Investigations are now being conducted in Kansas, Indiana and Ohio. It appears abortions were done on minor girls to cover up statutory rape by adult men who impregnated them. This has become a growing concern among state authorities. Critics say the abortion industry is part of the problem.

This collective evidence shows the true nature of so-called pro-choicers. When you hear people touting abortion as a women's rights issue, point out to them the reality of how women are abused emotionally, physically, financially and spiritually in the name of equality and freedom.

recently returned from a trip to Budapest, Hungary, a beautiful city with old European architecture lining the Danube River, as well as the narrow cobblestone streets. The beautiful, gothic Parliament building sits, in stately form, on the riverbank and is reminiscent of London's parliament building on the River Thames

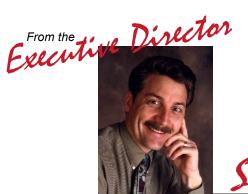
The main purpose of my travel was to speak at a Christian medical conference. The audience consisted of mostly physicians, with nurses, psychologists, professors, theologians and some laymen. I gave a keynote presentation on the issues of RU 486, stem cells, statistics and why we're optimistic in the US about ending abortion.

The next day I spoke on the issues of men and abortion and the link between abortion and breast cancer. Response was very positive. The conference participants were eager sponges, wanting to learn everything they could about the life issues.

My base of operations was a crisis pregnancy center in the heart of Budapest. This afforded me the opportunity to counsel a post-abortive father, with two abortions in his past. At first, he was almost smug in his attitude, saying the abortions didn't bother him

Then he saw our 8-week baby flyer with a picture and text explaining the milestones of development at this stage of pregnancy. His mouth dropped open and his demeanor immediately changed. He asked how big the child was. We had a graphic to show him the exact size. One way or another, life had changed for this man. Another opportunity came when I was able to do abstinence counseling with a 21-year-old man. He left the center, rededicated to an abstinent lifestyle.

I was also interviewed on a variety of life-issue topics for broadcast on the PAX TV network, which airs throughout the country. As a result, I am forwarding pro-life videos from several organizations that will be translated and adapted for Hungary's television viewers. It was a very productive trip, which should bear life-saving fruit for Hungary's unborn children.



Summer Is Really Heating Up

classic, old movie contained this unforgettable line, "Fasten your seatbelt, it's going to be a bumpy ride." That's exactly what's ahead for Washington, DC in the coming months and perhaps years. Many Americans have been waiting, on the edge of their seats, for an inevitable vacancy on the US Supreme Court. The filibuster skirmish between Republicans and Democrats was simply a rehearsal for the even larger battle over who controls the nation's highest court. And the central issue is abortion.

Roe versus Wade is the biggest obstacle standing between the lives of millions of unborn babies and those who promote abortion as a sacred right. If we are to take the first big step toward ending abortion-on-demand, Roemust corrected. The only way to do that is to have President Bush appoint, and the Senate confirm, pro-life justices to the US Supreme Court. Therefore, the issue that will take central stage in confirming Supreme Court justices is whether or not the nominees support correcting Roe v. Wade.

When Supreme Court appointments are made, the biased secular media, radical liberal organizations and the abortion industry will go into a full court press to persuade Americans that if *Roe* is corrected, it will cause the sky to fall, women will die and civilization as we know it will end.

Expect common sense and reason to be jettisoned and replaced by a philosophy of winning at all costs. The first casualty will be the truth. It will be reminiscent of another classic movie when Dorothy was transported from the stable environment of Kansas to the Land of Oz where some of the players involved were searching for a brain.

That's why it's very important that pro-life individuals, leaders and spokespersons be ready with an effective response to the many distortions we can

expect from the other side regarding how correcting *Roe* will affect our society.

Here are some arguments you will hear from pro-abortion activists, politicians and the media. Further, I've provided some effective pro-life responses. Remember, our battle to protect innocent human life will be victorious only when we win the hearts and minds of Americans. Prayer is our most effective tool. Second to that is speaking out with the truth. You can do that by sharing this information with your friends, family, neighbors and coworkers. You can expand your influence even more by incorporating these responses into a letter to the editor of your paper, or calling into a local talk radio program.

What we can expect from pro-abortion activists:

A nominee who would vote to reverse Roe is an extremist and out of the mainstream of American thought. False. Americans don't agree that abortion should be allowed for any reason throughout nine months of pregnancy. This is what Roe v. Wade and its companion case, Doe v. Bolton, have done. Americans also don't agree with the current majority of the Supreme Court that supports partial-birth abortion, the killing of an infant during delivery. Liberal judicial activists who support what Roe has done to our society are the extremists.

If a pro-life nominee is confirmed, it's just a matter of time before Roe is overturned. Not so fast. A pro-life nominee would likely replace a justice who has consistently ruled against Roe. This nomination simply maintains the current balance on the Court.

If Roe falls, women will die from dangerous, back-alley abortions.

Not true. Dr. Bernard Nathanson was instrumental in legalizing abortion in

America. He readily admits they grossly inflated the number of women who died from illegal abortions. During 1972, the year before *Roe*, only 39 women died from illegal abortion. In contrast, many women today are maimed and even killed by so-called safe, legal abortions.

If Roe v. Wade is reversed, abortion will be outlawed. False. Roe struck down laws against abortion in all fifty states. The correction of Roe simply allows the states to enact laws protecting unborn babies from abortion. Currently, only a handful of states still have laws on their books protecting unborn babies if Roe is corrected. Roe took away the right of states to pass protective legislation and forced abortion-on-demand upon an entire nation.

The battle to protect unborn babies and their parents from abortion is not an easy one. Our most viable avenue of correcting *Roe* means getting pro-life justices on the Court. But don't expect the abortion industry to go silently into the night. It won't be as easy as clicking our heels and saying, "There's no place like home." We've got to roll up our sleeves and put our backs into this crucial lifesaving battle. The coming months and years are absolutely critical to reaching our goal of protecting millions of unborn babies.

We have an extraordinary opportunity to change history and protect future generations. That victory will require true grit. We're going to have to exhibit the fortitude and tenacity of John Wayne to make sure the good guys win. Are you with us?



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Good Alternative to Living Wills

illions of horrified Americans watched as Terri Schiavo was intentionally and cruelly killed by dehydration and starvation. During the weeks our nation was captivated by this unfolding tragedy, one particularly dangerous message was being stressed over and over again.

A huge percentage of the media, as well as good-intentioned individuals and organizations, was telling the public to get a living will. This, they said, would prevent future emotional turmoil for families involved in similar situations.

Nothing could be further from the truth. No living will in existence could begin to cover the myriad of possible future medical problems you or a loved-one may face. Quite the contrary, many are written from a "quality of life" ethic, meaning your value as a human being

diminishes as your inability to contribute to society increases. Many living wills assume a desire by the patient to withdraw nutrition and hydration under a wide array of circumstances. This means you would

be at a greater risk of dying in the same painful way that Terri did. Ironically, in Florida, you couldn't do that to a dog and get away with it, but the courts consider it acceptable "medical treatment" for certain patients.

A positive alternative to living wills is a Durable Power of

Attorney, also called a Will to Live. By signing this document, you place possible future decisions for your medical treatment in the hands of someone you trust in the event you are incapacitated. It will help safeguard against the "Michael Schiavos" who may have conflicts of interest when

determining your care. A Durable Power of Attorney will also protect you and your family from doctors or other medical professionals who hold a "quality of life" ethic.

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Go to the following link at National Right to Life Committee to download your free copy: http://www.nrlc.org/euthanasia/willtolive/index.html. Please encourage others to do the same. The life you protect may be your own.