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Louisiana Right to Life Releases Pro-Life Voter Guide and Announces Legislative Awards Resources for Louisiana Voters Made Available through State's Pro-Life Organization

Baton Rouge, LA – Pro-life voters across Louisiana may learn how their candidates stand on life issues by utilizing Louisiana Right to Life's 2011 Pro-Life Voter Guide.

Louisiana Right to Life (LARTL) Executive Director Benjamin Clapper says, "Louisianans have the right to know how candidates will act if elected, and our voter guide offers a consistent, quantifiable way to assess how these candidates stand on life issues." Resources may be found at ProLifeLouisiana.org/2011elections.

The 2011 Voter Guide includes a **legislative scorecard** that shows what percentage of the time Senators and Representatives running for reelection voted pro-life on measures that LARTL considers essential pro-life votes. Also included in the guide are **candidates' responses to a pro-life questionnaire** that has been distributed to all contenders running for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State Representative, and State Senator.

The voter guide also features LARTL's list of **legislative award recipients** from the 2008-2011 term. Legislators who have excelled in the protection of life are named either "Defenders of Life" or "100% Life Advocates."

16 Senators and Representatives who have gone above the call of duty in the protection of life have received LARTL's most prestigious honor, the "Defender of Life Award."

Recipients of the Defender of Life Award include: Senators Conrad Appel, Sharon Weston Broome, A.G. Crowe, Gerald Long, Danny Martiny, Mike Michot, Fred Mills, Blade Morrish, Willie Mount, Ben Nevers, and Mike Walsworth; and Representatives Regina Ashford Barrow, Cameron Henry, Frank Hoffman, Walker Hines, and Bernard LeBas.

99 State Senators and Representatives who, among other things, have a 100% Pro-Life Voting Record during a four-year legislative term, have been named "100% Life Advocates."

Clapper says, "We are very glad to have the opportunity to honor those who have been champions for life in our legislature, and we hope that Louisiana Right to Life's resources will help guide voters to elect officials who will continue to light the way to a more pro-life Louisiana."

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