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ISSUES4LIFE FOUNDATION: **SMALL WONDER WHY BLACK WOMEN HAVE MORE ABORTIONS!**

Union City, CA (ISSUES4LIFE FOUNDATION) Monday, April 28th, 2008 – Walter Hoye, President and Founder of the **Issues4Life Foundation** says it is a **small wonder** why a Black woman, according to **Lawrence Finer, director of domestic research for the Guttmacher Institute**, is “three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as her white counterpart”¹ and according to the **Alan Guttmacher Institute (AGI)** fact sheet entitled “Facts on Induced Abortion in the United States” dated January 2008, is “4.8 times as likely as a non-Hispanic white woman to have an abortion.”²

According to **Lawrence Finer, director of domestic research for the Guttmacher Institute**, “the reason that rate is as high as it is -- three times that of white women -- **is straightforward**. Behind almost every abortion is an unintended pregnancy, and a black woman today is three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as her white counterpart.”³

The Issues4Life Foundation **wonders** if the explanation for the horrifying data surrounding abortions in the Black community (e.g., 56% of all abortions in 2005 were Black abortions,⁴ according to AGI's fact sheet published January 2008), is that Black women are three times as likely to have unintended pregnancies. Then why are Black women 4.8 times as likely to have abortions? The rate of unintended pregnancies for Black women falls significantly short of AGI's published rate of abortion for Black women.

Walter Hoye responds to the apparent implication that Black women are less morally responsible than white women by saying, “this thinly veiled ‘**line of thinking**’ is an insult to Black women and reveals the ‘**utter contempt**’ concealed in the hearts of many for Black Americans today.” Hoye goes on to say, “I would expect no less from those who work for Margaret Sanger.”

Mr. Hoye further addresses Mr. Finer's statement and AGI's published “Fact Sheet” by saying ...

- **One must wonder** if the fact that Margaret Sanger, founder and past President of Planned Parenthood, said “we do not want word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population,”⁵ has anything to do with the fact that black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.
- **One must wonder** if the fact that Planned Parenthood locates almost 80%⁶ of their clinics in minority neighborhoods has anything to do with the fact that black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.
- **One must wonder** if the fact that the vast majority of all abortions are performed for convenience,⁷ regardless of whether the mother is black or white has anything to do with the fact that black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.

¹ “Working for the good of the public”, David Nova, Vice President of Planned Parenthood Health Systems, Inc., Friday, April 25th, 2008, The Roanoke Times. Go to <http://www.roanoke.com/editorials/commentary/wb/159505>.

² Visit AGI's fact sheet entitled “Facts on Induced Abortion in the United States” dated January 2008 at http://www.guttmacher.org/pubs/fb_induced_abortion.html

³ “Working for the good of the public”, David Nova, Vice President of Planned Parenthood Health Systems, Inc., Friday, April 25th, 2008, The Roanoke Times. Go to <http://www.roanoke.com/editorials/commentary/wb/159505>.

⁴ According to AGI, 1.21 million abortions were performed in 2005 and Black women were 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion and Hispanic women are 2.7 times as likely. These numbers equate to 683,294 Black babies aborted in 2005. In other words, 56% of all legal abortions were performed on Black women in the year of our Lord Jesus Christ 2005. Here is the formula $(4.8x + 2.7x + x = 1.21)$.

⁵ Sanger commenting on the “Negro Project” in a letter to Dr. Clarence Gamble, December 10th, 1939. From the Sophia Smith Collection, Smith College, MA and “Woman's Body, Woman's Right: A Social History of Birth Control in America”, by Linda Gordon.

⁶ “Abortions earmarked by race. An investigation of Planned Parenthood's money.” According to Live Action's Winter Quarter 2008 issue of “The Advocate,” 79% of Planned Parenthood clinics are in minority cities. Go to <http://www.laadvocate.com/Advocate3.pdf>

⁷ “A Rebuttal of the Answers Given on the Abortion is Pro-Life (<http://www.abortionisprolife.com>) Web Page.” Casey's Critical Thinking, Visit <http://www.carmical.net/articles/abortionisprolife.html>.



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- **One must wonder** if the fact that the temptation to want sex without consequences which is strong in all of us has anything to do with the fact that black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.
- **One must wonder** if the fact that society itself backs up the temptation to want sex without consequences with a "right" to abortion has anything to do with the fact that black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.
- **One must wonder** if the fact that while science agrees life biologically begins at conception, science also disagrees about when that life becomes "human" has anything to do with the fact that black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.
- **One must wonder** if the fact that increasingly Down syndrome babies are terminated and that while America may believe all life has value, the actions of America suggests that imperfect life has less value, has anything to do with the fact that black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.
- **One must wonder** if the fact that **92% of all abortions in 2005** were performed on women who, at the very least, had at one time or another used a method of birth control⁸ has anything to do with the fact that black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.
- **One must wonder** if the fact that **Democratic Presidential candidate Barack Obama**, who is, unfortunately, very popular in Black America, believes if his daughters were to "**make a mistake**" they would be "**punished**" by **having a baby**,⁹ has anything to do with the fact that black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.
- **One must wonder** if the fact that the high crime and poverty rates among blacks are a legacy, to at least some extent, of slavery, segregation, discrimination, racial injustice and genocide, has anything to do with the fact that black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.
- **One must wonder** if the fact that a study of black women by the Howard University Cancer Center from 1989 to 1993 concluded that among those who had received an abortion, **THERE WAS A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE** in the risk of breast cancer¹⁰ **AND** a February 2003, the National Cancer Institute (NCI) workshop of over 100 of the world's leading experts who study pregnancy and breast cancer risk concluded that having an abortion or miscarriage **DOES NOT INCREASE** a woman's subsequent risk of developing breast cancer,¹¹ has anything to do with the fact that black women today

⁸ According to the Alan Guttmacher Institute (AGI) fact sheet entitled "Facts on Induced Abortion in the United States" dated January 2008; 1.21 million abortions were performed in 2005. In the same fact sheet AGI reports "eight percent (8%) of women who have abortions have never used a method of birth control" and that "nonuse is greatest among those who are young, poor, Black, Hispanic or less educated." Go to http://www.issues4life.org/pdfs/press_release_sbo.pdf.

⁹ "Barack Obama Would Back Daughters' Abortion, 'Don't Punish Them With a Baby'", LifeNews.com, March 31st, 2008, by Steven Ertelt. Visit <http://www.lifeneews.com/nat3827.html>. To Mr. Obama for yourself go to <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GbZjYwjkAPo>.

¹⁰ Akua Furlow of LEARN has pulled together data showing the devastating effects of abortion on black women. A study of black women by the Howard University Cancer Center from 1989 to 1993 concluded that among those who had received an abortion, there was a significant increase in the risk of breast cancer. In 1994, a survey of 126 black women who had an abortion found that 81 percent suffered from one or more psychological complaints. Sixty percent had feelings of guilt. Fifty-five percent reported crying and depression. Thirty-five percent said they were unable to forgive themselves. Go to <http://www.nbrwhc.org/african.htm>

¹¹ A summary of their findings, titled Summary Report: Early Reproductive Events and Breast Cancer Workshop, can be found at <http://www.cancer.gov/cancerinfo/ere-workshop-report>.

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are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.

- **One must wonder** if the fact that Planned Parenthood and affiliates raised millions of dollars to oppose Parental Notification (viz., Proposition 73 and 85), has anything to do with the fact black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.
- **One must wonder** if the fact that the **NAACP OFFICIALLY** advocates the murders of its own people, has anything to do with the fact black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.¹²
- **One must wonder** if the fact that as his political stakes rose in his presidential bid in 1988, Jesse Jackson flip-flopped from his 1977 reference to abortion as "**GENOCIDE AGAINST THE BLACK RACE**" and his September 9th, 1977 telegram to Congress that said "**AS A MATTER OF CONSCIENCE I MUST OPPOSE THE USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS FOR A POLICY OF KILLING INFANTS...**" to supporting Planned Parenthood which according to their 2006-2007 annual report received more than 336 million taxpayer dollars, has anything to do with the fact black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.¹³
- Finally, **one must wonder** if the fact that apparently much of the Black pulpit is unaware of the impact of abortion in the Black community and as a result thereof has been silent on the issue of abortion and the sanctity of life has anything to do with the fact that black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and that black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion.

As Mr. Hoye continues to reflect on Mr. Finer's statement and AGI's published "Fact Sheet" he says "actually, the **more I wonder** why black women today are three times as likely to have an unintended pregnancy as their white counterparts and why black women are 4.8 times as likely as non-Hispanic white women to have an abortion, it is a **small wonder** that the abortion industry is a multi billion dollar industry and that a new annual report from **Planned Parenthood shows the nation's largest abortion business has made over \$1 billion in income for the first time in its history.**

Hoye concludes by saying "what seems '**straightforward**' to me are the words of Margaret Sanger, '**we want to exterminate the Negro population**' and **Black women are still being targeted for abortions** by Planned Parenthood."

Background: <http://www.roanoke.com/editorials/commentary/wb/159505>



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¹² " Culture Article, NAACP Again Rejects Pro-Life Resolution", By Nathan Bruchfiel, CNSNews.com Staff Writer, July 10th, 2007. Go to <http://www.cnsnews.com/ViewCulture.asp?Page=/Culture/archive/200707/CUL20070710a.html>.

¹³ The abortion industry does not need our tax dollars. As the nation's largest abortion provider, Planned Parenthood Federation of America, reported \$1 billion in income on its 2006-07 annual financial disclosure, with \$114.8 million in profit and \$1.12 billion in total assets <http://www.plannedparenthood.org/files>