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West Coast Walk for Life Sees Record 25,000 Pro-Life People Participate

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San Francisco, CA (LifeNews.com) -- A record 25,000 pro-life people participated in the annual West Coast Walk for Life over the weekend. The event is a way for residents of western states to be able to demonstrate their pro-life values without having to make the trip to across the country to Washington for the annual March for Life.

The event also focuses on more modern presentations of the pro-life message to the more liberal populations on the Left Coast.

Walkers paraded down the streets of San Francisco after hearing from Alveda King, the niece of Martin Luther King, Jr., and Gianna Jessen, a woman who survived an abortion, at a pre-walk rally.

Only about 250 pro-abortion protesters showed up to hurl insults and wave their banners in the faces of those attending the walk.

"I was aborted and did not die," Jessen told the crowd. Instead, "the abortionist signed my birth certificate."

King compared the pro-life movement with the struggle her family endured for civil rights for African Americans.

"My uncle said injustice anywhere is injustice everywhere," King said.

"Dr. King said that the Negro cannot win if he is willing to sacrifice the future of his children for personal comfort and safety. So here we are on behalf of the children, the future generation," she added.

Walk for Life co-chair Dolores Meehan said the crowd has grown from 5,000 at the first event in 2005 to 20,000 last year and now 25,000 this year.

"We are pleased by the growing numbers and this is clearly a movement that is taking root in a city known for its trend-setting," Meehan told LifeNews.com.

Marchers carried signs saying "Abortion Hurts Women" and "Women Deserve Better."

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