



Walter B. Hoye II – National Black Pro-Life Coalition Official Tonya Reaves Press Conference Statement

We have seen tremendous media attention these past several months focusing on the senseless and tragic deaths of black youth across this nation. The recent trial of **George Zimmerman** in the **Trayvon Martin** case was only the latest punctuation ... and the not guilty verdict was but a comma in the ongoing wholesale, open war and genocide on Black youth that continues daily in America. **This year alone there have been over two hundred (200) homicides in Chicago.**

We are all outraged by the senseless ways that many of the **Chicago** murders happened, the reckless use of handguns, the high number of young people as both victims and offenders, the record number of unsolved cases, and the added strain on mainly Black and Hispanic communities, with no clear solutions to the killings in sight.

Yet at the very same time ... between the years of 1973 and 2013 over **eighteen (18) million** Black babies lives ... have ended in abortion. That averages over **450,000** per year, over **37,500** per month, over **8,600** per week, over **1,200** young Black lives loss every single day to abortion in America.

Right now there are **1.5 Black Abortions** for **every death in Black America** regardless of the cause of death.

In other words, for every **one hundred (100) Black Americans**, who die from all other causes of death, there are **one hundred and fifty 150 Black Babies aborted.**

To put it still another way, there are **54% more Black Abortions** than **Black deaths from all other causes of death in Black America.**

And these figures do not include the **number of mothers** who have died from having an abortion.



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As we approach, the **one (1) year** anniversary of the death of **Tonya Reaves**, our hearts go out to her family, who has been forced to suffer and endure her loss.

Tonya Reaves was a young and beautiful, **twenty-four (24)** year old daughter, sister and mother who trusted Planned Parenthood's late term abortionist Mandy Gittler, their professionally trained staff and modern facilities with the health and safety of her **sixteen (16)** week old pregnancy.

Here are the facts as reported by local Chicago CBS News reporter, Steve Miller of WBBM News Radio, surrounding the final hours of **Tonya Reaves**.

On Friday, July 20th, 2012, **Tonya Reaves** had an abortion – formally called a "**Suction D and E**" or a **suction dilation and evacuation** procedure – at Planned Parenthood's **medication abortion only** facility at 18 South Michigan Ave. Chicago, Illinois at **11:00 A.M.**

After the abortion, performed by Planned Parenthood, **Tonya Reaves** suffered bleeding for **five (5) and half hours** before a Fire Department ambulance took her to the Northwestern Memorial Hospital at **4:30 P.M.**

The Northwestern Memorial Hospital, according to their website, is an award winning **Level 1 Trauma Center**.

This fact is significant.

Level 1 Trauma Centers in big cities such as Chicago have for years been saving the lives of people pulled from car wrecks and shootings by assault weapons, which devastate the internal organs.

Yet, the Northwestern Memorial Hospital, the only hospital in Illinois named to the U.S. News and World Report National Honor Roll, with its **Level 1 Trauma Center** could not save the life of **Tonya Reaves** who



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trusted her health and safety to Planned Parenthood.

At **5:30 P.M.**, doctors at the Northwestern Memorial Hospital performed an ultrasound, where “**retained products of conception**” were found in **Tonya** which led to the decision to perform another suction dilation and evacuation procedure – basically, another abortion on **Tonya Reaves**.

But even after that ...

Tonya complained of pain and the staff at the Northwestern Memorial Hospital “**noted significant ab-dominal swelling.**”

This time a pelvic ultrasound was performed and **blood and clot** was found ac-cumulating in **Tonya’s** ab-dominal cavity.

Next, a Lapa-ros-co-py was performed and 1.5 liters of **blood and clot** were removed.

Then another ultrasound was performed where an “**extensive perforation**” of the u-ter-us, adjacent to **for-cep impression** marks on the u-ter-us, were found resulting in a large he-ma-to-ma.

At **10:12 P.M.**, **Tonya Reaves** was taken back to surgery for a Hys-te-rect-to-my and an “**uncontrollable bleed was discovered.**”

Just over an hour later and little more than twelve (12) hours after she entered **Planned Parenthood, Tonya Reaves**, never re-gained consciousness in the operating room and was pronounced dead at **11:20 P.M.**

According to the autopsy report from the office of the **Medical Examiner in Cook County, Illinois** **the cause of Tonya Reaves’ death** was due to hemorrhaging resulting from “a cervical dilation and



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evacuation” procedure.

It appears, from the evidence made public thus far, that Planned Parenthood is guilty of criminal negligence, depraved indifference, and gross medical incompetence when they left Tonya Reaves bleeding in their facility for more than five (5) hours.

At a minimum, Illinois lawmakers must move to protect the health and safety of their women and children ... and Planned Parenthood must be held accountable for her cruel and bloody business in a court of law.

Personally, my wife and I are so very sorry for the tragic death of **Tonya Reaves** and her baby.

Tonya Reaves and her baby shouldn't have died!

On behalf of the **National Black Pro-Life Coalition**, our hearts go out to the family and friends of **Tonya Reaves** and we offer our heart-felt prayers for her mother, her father and Tonya's surviving baby boy.

We are praying that Tonya's family will find comfort in the arms of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

May **Tonya Reaves** rest in peace.

Amen.

Notes:

1. WBBM News radio's Steve Miller report (<http://bit.ly/11jnLQt>)
2. Cook County, Illinois, Medical Examiner's Autopsy report. (<http://bit.ly/URsIQ2>)
3. Office of Emergency Communications report (<http://bit.ly/13IX1RW>)
4. The Movement for a Better America, Inc. (<http://bit.ly/9FPAN1>)