

National Right to Life: Criticizes Baldwin vote against defunding abortion providers

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WASHINGTON – This afternoon, the U.S. Senate defeated an amendment offered by Senators Rand Paul (R-Ky.) and Mike Lee (R-Utah) to the 2019 appropriations bill that would have eliminated federal funding for abortion providers. The amendment failed by a vote of 45-48. Sen. Tammy Baldwin (D-Wis.) voted against the measure.

“Once again, Sen. Tammy Baldwin proves her allegiance to the billion-dollar abortion industry,” said Carol Tobias, president of National Right to Life. **“Tammy Baldwin’s vote today shows she would rather advance an extreme pro-abortion agenda than represent the pro-life values of Wisconsin voters.”**

The amendment offered by Sens. Paul and Lee would have denied Fiscal Year 2019 appropriated federal funds to organizations that perform abortions, including Planned Parenthood, the nation’s largest abortion provider. According to its own annual reports, in recent years, Planned Parenthood clinics have performed over 300,000 abortions annually – approximately one-third of the total number of abortions performed in the United States each year.

For additional up-to-date information on the extent of Planned Parenthood’s involvement in abortion, see: www.nrlc.org/communications/ppfamediabackground.

“Wisconsin deserves better than Tammy Baldwin and her pro-abortion allies,” added Tobias. **“We hope all Wisconsin voters remember Baldwin’s**

vote to fund the abortion industry when they go to the ballot box in November.”

Founded in 1968, the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), the federation of 50 state right-to-life affiliates and more than 3,000 local chapters, is the nation's oldest and largest grassroots pro-life organization. Recognized as the flagship of the pro-life movement, NRLC works through legislation and education to protect innocent human life from abortion, infanticide, assisted suicide and euthanasia.