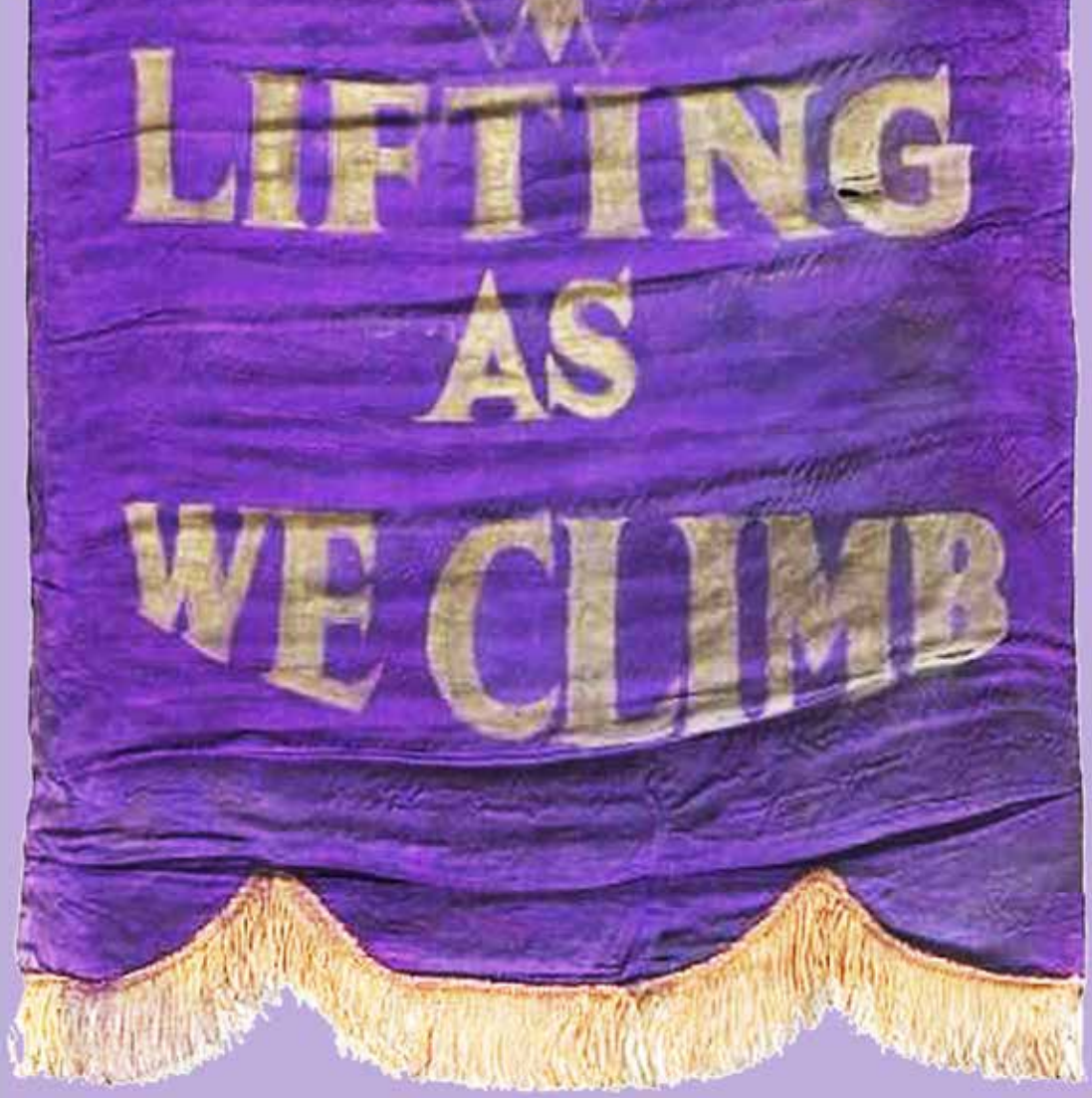

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AGENDA

6:00 Welcome! Appetizers and Drinks. Basket Auction Tickets Available until 8:30.

6:45 Opening Remarks, Michele Sterlace, FCLNY's Executive Director.

7:00 Opening Prayer, Father Anthony Mugavero and Dinner.

7:15 Introduction & Presentation of the Fannie Lou Hamer Award to Senator Katrina R. Jackson, Clianda Yarde, FCLNY Board Member.

7:30 Keynote, Senator Katrina Jackson! Desserts & Coffee.

8:30 Jessica Shanahan - The Importance of Giving. Basket Auction Winners Announced.

8:45 Closing Prayer, Minister Clifford Florence. *Please pick up your winning baskets from the basket auction table.*

OUR KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Louisiana State Senator

Katrina R. Jackson

Senator Jackson, a member of the Democratic Party, helped enact one of the nation's first Heartbeat laws, banning abortion after the detection of embryonic cardiac activity.

Ask anyone who knew Katrina R. Jackson at age 3 and they could tell you one thing – she was going to be a lawyer and fight for people. And that is just what she does as both an attorney and a Senator.

As a young child, her parents' friends would comment on her inquisitive mind. Her friends loved that when they got in trouble, Katrina was always there to stick up for them. Her mother's mantra was that Katrina should always fight for what she believed in, even when others disagreed. Those words define her life today.

Prior to being elected, Senator Jackson received a Bachelor's degree in Pre-Law and Legal Studies from the University of Louisiana at Monroe, and a Juris Doctor degree in 2004 from Southern University Law Center in Baton Rouge. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha, Sorority Inc., following in the footsteps of her grandmother, the late Alice Marie Jackson.

The smile that Katrina keeps on her face in good times and bad is well known throughout the Capitol. A tough negotiator who often gets more than her opponents wanted to give up from the bargaining table, Katrina hasn't shied away from leadership roles and is well versed in the procedures and politics that make her a fighter for her values and constituents.

Whether it's protecting working and middle-class families from tax increases that unfairly burden them to fighting for women to receive equal pay for equal work or protected access to quality affordable healthcare for the uninsured, Katrina is there. Children have a special place in her heart, and she is a passionate and outspoken protector of the unborn's right to life and funding for K-12 education in the State Legislature.

At home you can find Katrina worshipping with her family at Riverside Missionary Baptist Church, fighting for clients in criminal and civil law cases, and spending time educating, working with, and and listening to her constituents at churches, senior centers and community venues.

Katrina attributes her accomplishments to not just having a dream, but having a dream that lines up with God's plan for her life. Still, she recognizes she is an imperfect person doing all she can to submit to the will of God daily in all areas of her life.

Senator Jackson is Vice-Chair of the Louisiana Senate Education Committee, Member of the Finance and of the Juvenile Justice Reform Committees.

Other accolades include:

- African American Trailblazers Award by African American Women Trailblazers (2012)
- Legislator of the Year, Louisiana Municipal Association Black Caucus (2012-2013) (First legislator to receive this award)
- Louisiana Conference of Black Mayors Award & Network Coalition (2013)
- Distinguished Alumnus Award, Southern University Law Center (2014)
- Award of Appreciation, Louisiana Hospital Association (2015)
- Legislator of the Year, Louisiana State Troopers Association (2015)
- Champion of Louisiana Juvenile Justice, State Office of Juvenile Justice (2015)
- Humanitarian Award, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Foundation of Ouachita (2016)
- Defender of Life for 2014 Legislative Session Award, Louisiana Right to Life (2014)
- Chamber of Southwest Louisiana Legislator Business Champion Award (2016)
- University Health Warrior Award (2016)
- Humanitarian Award, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Foundation of Ouachita (2016)
- Legislator of the Year, Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians (2015, 2016, & 2017)
- Legislative Advocate of the Year, District 5, Louisiana State Medical Society (2018)

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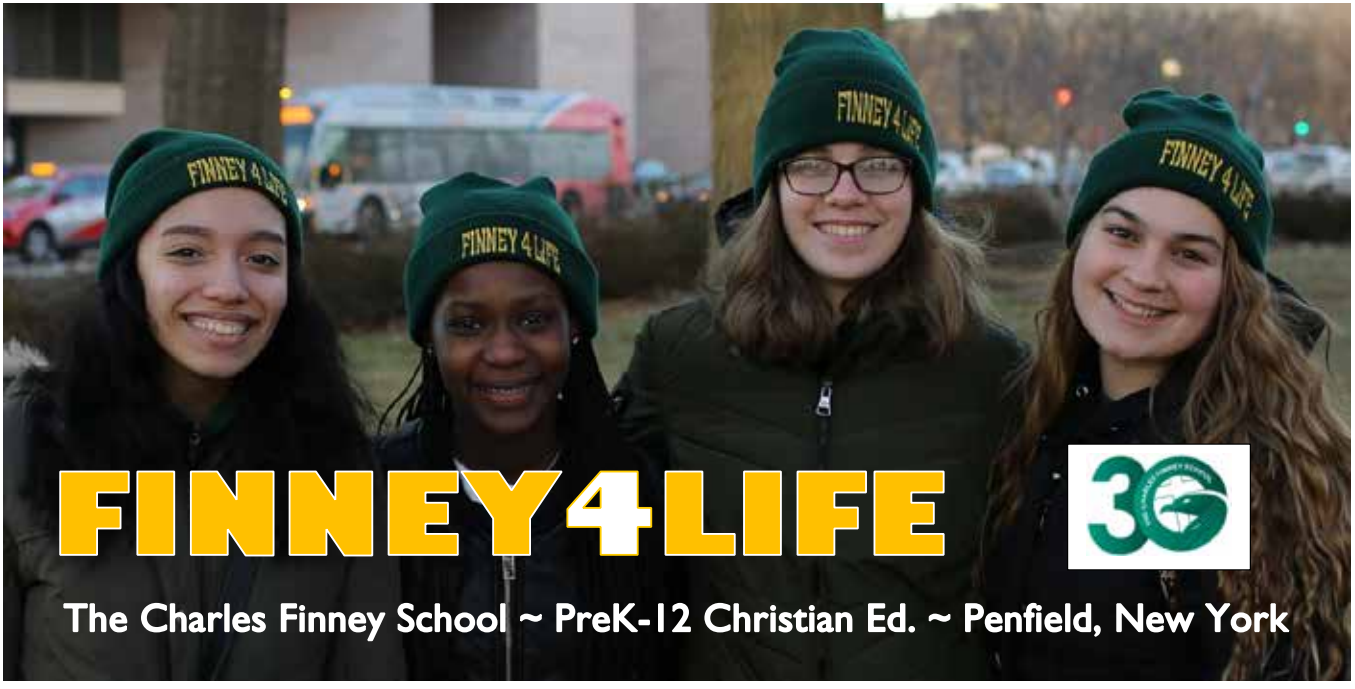

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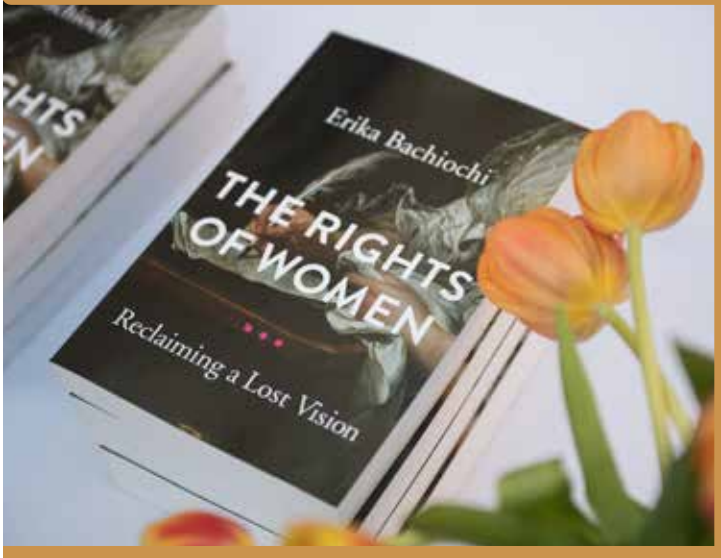

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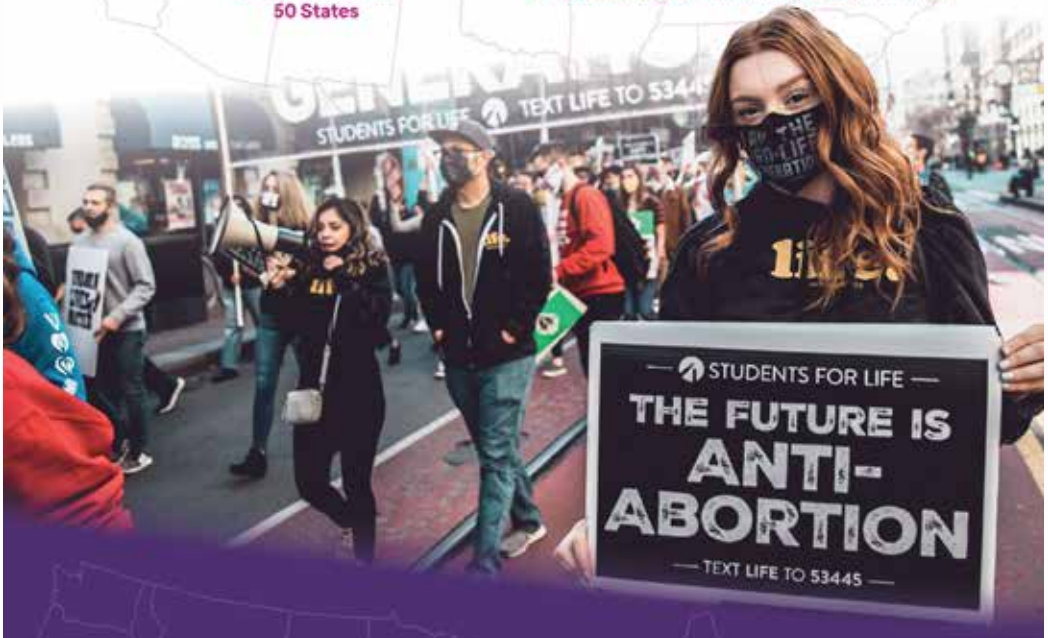

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FCLNY's STOP THE VIOLENCE 2021-2022 Campaigns in Progress

FCLNY's Stop the Violence 2021-2022 Campaigns

The NY RHA Lawsuit Educational Campaign!

THE GOAL: SPOTLIGHT THE RHA LEGAL CHALLENGE

Newsweek npr THE DAILY WIRE NATIONAL REVIEW

(Please see our Media Outreach webpage for full coverage.)

FCLNY spearheaded the exploration of the impacts and legality of NY's Reproductive Health Act (RHA). We coordinated with the Thomas More Society (TMS) to create the Women's Alliance Against Violence (WAAV), an initiative formed to potentially litigate the RHA.

Earlier this year, victims of domestic violence and others filed a class action lawsuit challenging the US Constitutionality of the RHA. The plaintiff-victims are represented by attorneys serving as special counsel to WAAV, Teresa Collett, Esq. and Christen Civiletto, Esq.

The RHA class action lawsuit represents the first time a NY abortion law is challenged for violating both women's rights and the rights of children. The pending lawsuit is an on-going, up-hill battle, with motions filed and responded to by both sides. WAAV is prepared to take the matter all the way to the US Supreme Court.

FCLNY is poised to keep everyone informed. Stay tuned!

FCLNY's Stop the Violence 2021-2022 Campaigns

A State-Wide Billboard Campaign!

THE GOAL: RAISE AWARENESS AND REPEAL THE RHA

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NY abortion policy, particularly the RHA, endangers women's lives, incentivizes violence against pregnant women and allows for the increased killing of unborn children, by abortion. For more information about NY's RHA and to sign our petition seeking its repeal, please go to our Legislative Advocacy webpage.

FCLNY's Stop the Violence 2021-2022 Campaigns

The Dobbs Amicus Brief Campaign!

THE GOAL: OVERTURN ROE VS. WADE

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JACKSON WOMEN'S HEALTH ORGANIZATION, et al.,

Respondents

On Writ of Certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

BRIEF OF 240 WOMEN SCHOLARS AND PROFESSIONALS, AND PROLIFE FEMINIST ORGANIZATIONS IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONERS

FCLNY not only served as an organizational amici, but led the effort for other pro-life feminist organizations to serve as amici, on a brief filed in Dobbs vs. Jackson. Amicus urge the US Supreme Court to overturn Roe vs Wade and Planned Parenthood vs. Casey.

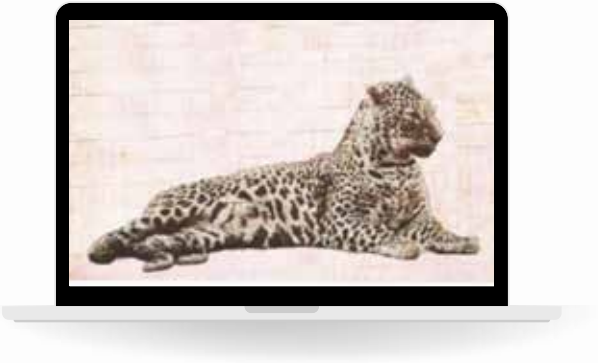
The brief overthrows the fiction that women need and rely upon abortion rights to participate equally in civil society. The brief demonstrates with evidence, "There simply is no causal link between the availability of abortion and the 'capacity of women to act in society'." FCLNY wrote the press release.

PRO-LIFE FEMINIST GROUPS AND HUNDREDS OF WOMEN SCHOLARS AND PROFESSIONALS EXPOSE THE LIE THAT WOMEN NEED ABORTION FOR EQUALITY. The Washington Post, among other news outlets provided coverage of the brief. The National Review ranked the brief among the top three amicus briefs (out of more than 75) filed on behalf of petitioners.

FCLNY's Stop the Violence 2021-2022 Campaigns

A Dialogue Campaign on Feminism and Abortion! An Unsafe Space

THE GOAL: EXPOSING TRUTH THROUGH RIGOROUS DISCUSSION FROM OPPOSING WORLDVIEWS



FCLNY launched a conversation series on feminist topics relevant to abortion, titled, An Unsafe Space. Thus far—leading pro-choice and pro-life feminist scholars from academic institutions such as, Georgetown University Law Center, Stony Brook University, St. Thomas School of Law, Florida International University, have engaged in dialogue on the following issues: abortion, female poverty, equality, and bodily integrity. Episodes I and II can be viewed on YouTube, having been recorded while virtually presented to a sizable audience that included diverse college and university students. FCLNY is gearing up to host Episode III!

We are excited for An Unsafe Space to go viral, literally and figuratively. Showcasing and role-modeling civil, smart discussions on contentious, life and death topics, from divergent perspectives— reveals truth and transforms culture.

An attendee said this,
"It was absolutely incredible to watch such experienced, intelligent women...discuss extremely sensitive and controversial topics. I learned alot."

FCLNY's Stop the Violence 2021-2022 Campaigns

A Targeted Public Policy Campaign!

THE GOAL: PUBLISH COMMENTARY ON PENDING NY AND US POLICY AFFECTING PREGNANT WOMEN AND THEIR UNBORN CHILDREN

With the help of our AMAZING summer interns, FCLNY helped thwart the passage of a NY bill that could have potentially decimated NY Pregnancy Resource Centers. Our piece in the Buffalo News, *Bill Would Tip Scales Against Pregnancy Resource Centers*, was sent to every NY legislator!

Our essay published in the Democrat & Chronicle, *Passing SUNY Medication Abortion Bill Would Be A Mistake*, continued to help impede the enactment of a proposed NY law that requires SUNY Colleges to offer and finance chemical abortion "at all on-campus student health centers."

The USA Today Network published our article on the Hyde Amendment, *Destroying the Hyde Amendment Could Spell Disaster for Women*, and the Washington Examiner aired our commentary, *Women Deserve Full Information About Abortion Effects*.

Please be on the look out for future publications on the destructive impacts of publicly sanctioned lethal violence, including abortion, assisted dying, capital punishment and violent military action.

FCLNY's Stop the Violence 2021-2022 Campaigns

Peer Support for Trauma Survivors Campaign!

THE GOAL: HELP BRING HEALING TO BRUTALIZED WOMEN

Together with two other non-profits, Angels of Mercy and the Margaret Home, FCLNY is scheduled to host a peer support group for victims of trauma, including the trauma of abortion, domestic violence and sex trafficking. Our peer support group is set to be led by trained trauma-informed facilitators, focused on providing a safe, confidential environment where women can grow, learn about the cycle and impacts of violent trauma, and acquire tools of empowerment!

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FCLNY's Stop the Violence 2021-2022 Campaigns

A Human Trafficking and Domestic Violence Hot-line Poster Campaign!

THE GOAL: POST THE TRAFFICKING AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE IN EVERY NY HEALTHCARE FACILITY

Healthcare providers are "one of the few professionals likely to interact" with victims of trafficking and domestic violence (DV), the very women who experience forced abortions. Studies show hotlines help release women from coercion and abuse. NY neglects to require a multitude of healthcare providers, including numerous Planned Parenthoods and other abortionists, to post a trafficking hotline. NY fails to require ANY healthcare facility to post a DV hotline.

Already, FCLNY has discovered several healthcare facilities, including certain abortion providers that ARE required under NY law to post the trafficking hotline—lack compliance, and NOT ONE (of the 20 facilities we've visited thus far) had posted the trafficking or DV hotline voluntarily.

Victims of human trafficking and DV are in the waiting rooms of healthcare facilities across NY, especially women's healthcare and abortion providers.

Every woman and girl deserves access to the trafficking and DV hotline!
Please stay tuned for more on this ground breaking campaign.

FCLNY's Stop the Violence 2021-2022 Campaigns

Women's Health & Pregnancy Resource Campaign!

THE GOAL: EXPOSE AND LINK THOUSANDS OF WOMEN TO LIFE-AFFIRMING RESOURCES

Motivated by pregnant women in need, FCLNY created and recently updated its **NY Pregnancy Resource Center Guide (PRC)**, an on-line and print resource directory containing a comprehensive listing of all NY Pregnancy Resource Centers as well as other available assistance for women facing unplanned pregnancies. While NY is indeed a US abortion capital, it is also filled with vital services for low income pregnant women who choose life, rather than death, for their unborn children. Most women who undergo abortions are low-income, yet few appear to be knowledgeable about the existence of these crucial, life-affirming resources in NY.

People are reaching out to us for copies of our PRC Guide! Recently, a college campus police officer wrote,

"I have introduced our command staff to your material and they have seen it as a welcome alternative to what we currently have to offer… to those in crisis looking for assistance."

Along with Feminists for NonViolent Choices we are expanding our **NY Women's Guide to Healthcare (WGH)**, a print and phone app. directory that outlines the location and services offered by Federally Qualified Healthcare Centers, entities that provide extensive, affordable women's healthcare, but NOT ABORTION. A recipient of the WGH said this,

"This brochure and phone app. empowers women! It streamlines information about affordable healthcare in a way that is accessible and uncomplicated. It gives women the opportunity to take care of themselves, without abortion services."

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