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## DURBIN WANTS ROBERTS TO PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO A LIE

The second most powerful Democrat in the Senate is insisting that Supreme Court nominee John Roberts commit to supporting *Roe v. Wade*. If Roberts refuses to discuss the 1973 decision that legalizes abortion through the 9th month, Durbin (and other Senate liberals like Patrick Leahy) will vote against confirmation.

Speaking on Meet The Press, Durbin said that during confirmation hearings he will demand that Roberts disclose his views on *Roe* - even though there's a longstanding tradition of nominees not answering specific questions about matters that could come before the Court (as abortion regularly does).

Durbin believes it's appropriate to ask Roberts "what he thinks about the underlying principles of Roe v. Wade." If the nominee refuses to answer, he would "disqualify himself" from getting Durbin's vote.

When it comes to confirming judges, liberals have made so-called abortion rights their gold standard. It doesn't matter how qualified a nominee is, or his overall judicial philosophy. Unless they can be assured that he is committed body and soul to preserving abortion on demand, they will attempt to derail his nomination. However, as the author of Roe (Justice Harry Blackmun) himself admitted later in life, the First Amendment contains no right to abortion. The majority in Roe created the right out of thin air, in order to strike down the abortion laws of 48 states. Just as the words "separation of church and state" appear nowhere in the First Amendment, neither do the words "abortion," "reproduction" or "privacy." Durbin demands that Roberts endorse an intellectual fraud, one that has led to the deaths of more than 40 million unborn children in the past 32 years. This might be called the confirmation equivalent of the emperor's-new-clothes - unless a nominee is willing to pretend that something not in the Constitution is actually there, as far as liberals are concerned, he isn't qualified to serve on the high court.

## **MCCAIN MAKES CAMEO APPEARANCE IN SEX FILM**

If Arizona Senator John McCain wants to reassure us of his conservative credentials - in preparation for a presidential bid in 2008 -- he's off to a bad start. McCain has a cameo part in one of the summer's most tasteless comedies, "Wedding Crashers." The movie is about two men who "crash" weddings, in order to seduce young women.

Its "R" rating is well deserved. The film contains nudity, coarse language, and the crudest humor. Ironically, five years ago, McCain chaired Senate hearings which

castigated Hollywood for the preponderance of R-rated films the industry produces.

The Senator's communications director is trying to deflect criticism with the lame excuse that McCain thought the movie would be rated "PG-13." That would be bad enough, but -- in light of the story line (two men who go to weddings to have sex) -- how realistic is this claim?

According to the Senator's office, his fee for appearing in the film will be donated to charity. (Morality In Media, perhaps?) McCain would have been better off admitting his mistake and apologizing to families under assault by Hollywood smut peddlers- instead of making silly excuses for a terrible lapse of judgment.

## **CHRISTIANS STOP SAN DIEGO SUPPORT FOR GAY PRIDE WEEK**

Thanks to the efforts of local Christian leaders, for the first time in a decade, the San Diego City Council did not vote to endorse Gay Pride Week in America's seventh largest city.

James Hartline (publisher of The James Hartline Report) and Pastor Leo Giovinetti of the Mission Valley Christian Fellowship, led the charge. When the Council met on Monday to debate a resolution of support for the annual homosexual event, they flooded the city council chambers with vocal Christian activists.

Their cause wasn't helped by revelations (widely reported in the media) that two registered pedophiles were working on the staff of the group organizing the San Diego gay pride events. Also, four of the 6 members who supported the resolution last year are no longer on the council, including two councilors convicted of taking bribes from a strip club.

Government should not be in the business of endorsing sin. Taxpayers should not be forced to support immorality - not to mention illegality. Pastor Giovinetti

and James Hartline are to be commended for their courageous stand. Christians across America should emulate their bold and effective activism.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Special Event**

On August 23rd (starting at 6:30pm), Vision America will hold a Greater East Texas Enough Is Enough Citizenship Rally at the Maude Cobb Convention Center (100 Grand Blvd., Longview, Texas). The event is open to the public. I am honored to be sharing the podium with Former Alabama Chief Justice Roy Moore – The Ten Commandments Judge – on this occasion. The topic will be judicial tyranny.

### **Annual Gala**

Tickets are still available for Vision America's annual Heroes of the Faith Gala, August 25th at The Westin Galleria Hotel in Houston, VIP and General Receptions start at 6:15pm, dinner at 7:00pm. This year's honorees are U. S. Senator Sam Brownback, Texas State Representatives Warren Chisum and Robert Talton and Pastor Steve Riggle. Donations include: Patron -- \$2,500, Table Sponsor -- \$1,500, Host Couple-- \$500 and individual tickets (one dinner) -- \$120. To purchase tickets or for more information, go to [www.visionamerica.us](http://www.visionamerica.us) or call 713-980-3274 or 866-522-5582.

### **Countering The War on Faith**

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