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LifeCanada's monthly news bulletin offers quick news reports on the latest developments in life issues throughout Canada and around the world. We provide information on current research developments, pro-life events and activities, news reports and much more. Please consider forwarding this monthly E-Newsflash to family, friends, and others who would like to be kept up-to-date and informed on life issues. Sign up for E-Newsflash [here](#).

March for Life on May 8!

Join in this powerful witness to our nation: be one of the many thousands on May 8 who will proclaim the right to life of unborn Canadians. More than three million Canadian babies have died through abortion since 1969. Stand up in remembrance of their lost lives and call for an end to abortion in our country.

The 2008 National March for Life will be held in the nation's capital, with regional Marches being held in provincial capitols across the country. For the first time this year, every province—with the exception of Quebec—will hold a demonstration in solidarity with the National March. To find out dates and times in your region, contact your provincial Right to Life association.

For information on the Ottawa March, call: 1-800-730-5358.

For the March in Victoria, BC, call: 604-853-3425

For Edmonton, call: 780-457-0528

For Manitoba, call: 204-233-8047

For Saskatchewan, call: 306-352-3480

For New Brunswick, call: 1-888-796-9600

For Nova Scotia, call: 902-866-1049 or 902-423-3114

For PEI, call: 902-894-5473

For Newfoundland, call: 709-579-1500

Activists Renew Efforts to Legalize Euthanasia in Canada

Media reports earlier this month revealed a new assault on respect for life in Canada from assisted-suicide activists working to introduce euthanasia and assisted suicide legislation. Bloc Quebecois MP Francine Lalonde, a long-time activist for legal euthanasia, told the *Canada Press* April 13 that she intends to introduce a new bill that would legalize euthanasia and assisted suicide.

Lalonde brought forward bill C-407 in 2005, which would have legalized euthanasia and assisted suicide for people suffering "chronic physical and mental pain." Radical even by pro-euthanasia standards, Lalonde's previous bill bypassed many of the attempts at "safeguards" typically seen in euthanasia legislation. The measure would have permitted euthanasia for people who had refused to



seek medical treatment and would have authorized individuals without medical training to perform euthanasia. The bill died when the 2005 federal election was called.

Head of Quebec Medical Federation Attacks Unborn Victims of Crime Bill

The head of the Quebec Federation of Medical Specialists (QFMS), Dr. Gaéтан Barrette, launched an attack last week on private member's bill C-484, the Unborn Victims of Crime Act. Ignoring the bill's explicit exclusion of abortion, Dr. Barrette condemned support of the bill as "political delirium" and "insane", saying the measure would inevitably lead to re-criminalizing abortion, in an interview with the French-language newspaper *Le Devoir*. Dr. Barrette also stated that the QFMS was a pro-choice body, telling CBC "I am absolutely pro-choice, personally and as an organization, and we have to be. As doctors we have to be in a position where we cannot exclude anyone from our offices and the only inclusive position is pro-choice. Members in my organization can be pro-life, but as an organization we cannot be but pro-choice because we cannot have a position that excludes women for any political or social positions at all."

Dr. Barrette's statement drew ire from one QFMS member who said the membership was not consulted on a official position on Bill C-484. "I support the bill, as do most Canadians," wrote endocrinologist Roy Eappen in the *Montreal Gazette*. "I have tried to contact officials at the QFMS, with no success. I don't think it has any business involving itself in such matters unless it asks the membership. I am very disappointed with my association."

Members of Quebec's National Assembly voted unanimously last week to ask their federal counterparts to vote against the bill, including Premier Jean Charest.

Legal experts have defended the bill as constitutionally valid, saying it poses no threat to the current status of abortion in Canada.

LifeCanada is pleased to announce our new "Pro-Life Mother Teresa Award"!

LifeCanada has established a new pro-life award in recognition of the many inspired and dedicated workers in the Canadian pro-life movement. The annual award will be extended yearly to an individual who is seen to have made an outstanding contribution to pro-life work. We have received permission from the motherhouse of the Missionaries of Charity in Calcutta, India, to name the award after Mother Teresa, in keeping with her spirit of reverence for all human life. The Mother Teresa Pro-Life Award will be presented each year at a special ceremony during the annual pro-life national conference.

We welcome nominations for individuals whom you feel have had a particular impact on the work of promoting respect for life in our country. The deadline for nominations to be received in the LifeCanada office is JUNE 15, 2008. Please contact the LifeCanada office for more information and to obtain a nomination form, at 866-780-5433 or email us at info@lifecanada.org.



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For thoughtful, well-researched information on current developments in Canada's pro-life movement, subscribe to our bi-monthly newsletter *LifeCanada News*. The newsletter provides in-depth information on current life issues and offers insightful commentary on developments in our society that impact respect for life in Canada. We cover difficult topics such as the ethics of end-of-life care, what's wrong with In Vitro Fertilization therapy, and why the crime of rape does not justify abortion.

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