

update letter
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Dear Friends,

On May 11, three-time Super Bowl champion Harrison Butker drew ire and confusion from pundits and journalists with a commencement address he gave at Benedictine College in Atchison, Kansas. For those with better things to do on Sunday than watch professional football, Butker arguably is responsible for the Chiefs' Super Bowl victory over the San Francisco 49ers in February. He is a professing Catholic, and he and his wife have two children. His success on the field coupled with his friendly personality and his strong convictions have given him what some call a "gridiron pulpit" for sharing his faith and his beliefs about marriage, family, morality, the sanctity of human life, and so on.

Butker often is bold when he speaks, but the 28-year-old kicker's commencement address last month was in a league of its own. In 20 minutes, Butker touched on the many challenges that the Class of 2024 had overcome—like the COVID-19 pandemic that hit during their formative years. Butker discussed "a growing support for degenerate cultural values in media." He named abortion, IVF, surrogacy, euthanasia, and dangerous gender ideologies as some of the problems in our society. He talked about what it means to truly live one's faith—pointing out how President Biden often professes his Catholic faith, but wrongly supports abortion.

Butker also talked about self-centered Catholic bishops and ministers who fail to care about their congregations, and he urged ministers to live and lead in a Christ-like manner. Critics have seized on Butker telling the female graduates, "Some of you may go on to lead successful careers in the world, but I would venture to guess that the majority of you are most excited about your marriages and the children you will bring into this world. I can tell you that my beautiful wife Isabelle would be the first to say her life truly started when she started living her vocation as a wife and as a mother." But many overlooked that Butker also challenged the men in the graduating class to pursue God's calling on their lives as husbands and fathers, and he did not mince words about the damage that an absentee father can cause.

Throughout the speech, Butker was interrupted several times by applause, and he received a standing ovation at the end. But oddly, pundits and journalists described his statements as "controversial." The pro-LGBT group GLAAD issued a press release calling Butker's remarks "inaccurate, ill-informed, and woefully out of step with Americans." The Today Show encouraged viewers to watch a rebuttal to Butker's comments, and the anchors on Good Morning America seemed genuinely puzzled that the crowd would give Butker a standing ovation.

The fact is Butker's speech didn't appear remotely controversial with his audience. It was very well received, and there are tens of millions of Americans who strongly agree with him. I believe most of the critics either ignored or simply failed to understand what was at the heart of Harrison Butker's commencement address: An exhortation to everyone—graduates, parents, ministers, teachers, and the rest of us—to stand strong in living out the Christian faith. **"A life without God is not a life at all," Butker said as he drew to a close, "and the cost of salvation is worth more than any career... Christ is King to the heights."**

Those are wise words for all of us.

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Executive Director Jerry Cox

My Thoughts: The Abortion Story You Won't See in This Letter

By Jerry Cox, Executive Director

Normally our update letter for June and July focuses on abortion in Arkansas. That's because, by law, the Arkansas Department of Health is required to publish many different reports about abortion in Arkansas every June. Every year, our team would analyze those reports and write stories about how many abortions were performed, what procedures the abortionists used, the number of women who experienced complications from abortion, and so on.

Over the years, we used those reports—along with documents we obtained through Arkansas' Freedom of Information Act—to draft some of the best pro-life laws in the country. For example, the reports showed us how many women chose not to have abortions after receiving information about abortion's risks, complications, consequences, and alternatives. That helped us come up with better informed-consent laws. When lawmakers voted to prohibit abortion

after 18 weeks, we were able to use these reports to estimate the number of babies the law would save. Most people don't have a lot of interest in abortion data, but it helped our team measure the number of lives our pro-life laws saved.

You won't see any stories in this letter about abortion data in Arkansas, because abortion is prohibited in Arkansas except to save the life of the mother. Over the years, the health department has recorded very few abortions performed to save the mother's life. If the Arkansas Department of Health does release any abortion statistics this year, we expect they will show 0 abortions in most cases—with possibly a few abortions performed to save the mother's life. If our team finds anything noteworthy in the Arkansas Department of Health's abortion data this year, you can be sure we will tell you about it.

Abortion is generally prohibited in Arkansas, but the question is will it stay that way? Right now an effort is underway to write abortion in the Arkansas Constitution. The abortion amendment contains no licensing requirements and no health or safety standards for abortion. It would prevent the Arkansas Legislature from restricting abortion during the first five months of pregnancy—allowing unrestricted abortion on demand. It would also pave the way for taxpayer-funded abortion. **This would be the most extreme, pro-abortion measure in Arkansas history.**

Family Council Action Committee is running a grassroots campaign against the abortion amendment. You can learn more about it at FamilyCouncilActionCommittee.com.

Governor Signs \$2M Appropriation for Pregnancy Centers, Maternal Wellness in Arkansas

On April 30, Governor Sanders signed S.B. 64 by Sen. John Payton (R – Wilburn). This good law provides \$2 million in grant funding to support pregnancy help organizations and maternal and infant wellness in Arkansas. The money will support pregnancy resource centers, maternity homes, adoption agencies, and other organizations that provide material support to women with unplanned pregnancies.

For years, states across America have taken steps to provide pregnancy resource centers with state and federal tax money to support the services they provide. This funding helps serve families at the local level without creating new government programs.

In 2022 Family Council worked with the legislature and the governor to secure \$1 million for pregnancy centers. This funding provided grants to more than 20 pregnancy help organizations. Last year we worked with lawmakers to renew this funding, and since then more than two dozen good organizations across the state have applied for this

money and used it to give women and families real assistance when faced with an unplanned pregnancy.

S.B. 64 makes improvements to the grant program. It increases state funding from \$1 million per year to \$2 million. This puts Arkansas' funding on par with funding in other states. The law also clarifies that "pregnancy help organizations" include nonprofit organizations that promote infant and maternal wellness and reduce infant and maternal mortality by:

- Providing nutritional information and/or nutritional counseling;
- Providing prenatal vitamins;
- Providing a list of prenatal medical care options;
- Providing social, emotional, and/or material support; or
- Providing referrals for WIC and community-based nutritional services, including but not limited to food banks, food pantries, and food distribution centers.

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The measure includes language preventing state funds from going to abortionists and their affiliates.

This legislation is something Arkansans can be proud of. Family Council strongly supported this \$2 million grant

funding. We are deeply grateful to the General Assembly for passing S.B. 64, and we appreciate Governor Sanders signing it into law. We look forward to seeing the state implement the grant program in the coming fiscal year.

Arkansas Leads Legal Challenge Against Biden Administration's Effort to Let Boys in Girls' Showers, Locker Rooms at School

On May 7, Arkansas Attorney General Tim Griffin, Missouri Attorney General Andrew Bailey, and attorneys from Alliance Defending Freedom announced a multi-state lawsuit against the Biden Administration over new federal rules drastically redefining "sex" under Title IX. Title IX is a federal law that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in education and in activities that receive federal funding—like school athletic programs. But in April, the Biden Administration released more than 1,500 pages of new rules drastically reinterpreting "sex" under Title IX to include sexual orientation and gender identity.

Under these rules, public schools could be forced to let biological males compete in women's sports. The rules would also let boys who claim to be girls enter the girls' locker rooms, showers, and changing areas at school. They could even force girls to share hotel rooms with boys on overnight school trips.

In a press release, Arkansas Attorney General Tim Griffin said,

"The rule we're challenging today requires schools and universities to allow men onto women and girls' sports teams. It robs young female athletes of opportunities. It forces schools and universities to allow men into women and girls locker rooms, restrooms, and shower facilities. It compels teachers, administrators, and even fellow students to use an individual's preferred pronouns. And it subjects anyone who disagrees with President Biden's view of sex to investigation and possible sanction."

Attorneys for Alliance Defending Freedom are representing Amelia Ford, a tenth-grade basketball player from Brookland, Arkansas, in the lawsuit. In a press release, ADF wrote,

"Ford wants to use the female-designated restrooms, showers, and locker rooms at her school, to share hotel rooms only with females during overnight trips with her school, and to feel safe knowing that boys who identify as girls are not allowed to use these areas. Ford also competes on the girls' basketball team at Brook-

land High and does not want to compete against and lose her chance at fair competition to a male who identifies as female. Like many girls, Ford wants fair athletic competition and will suffer deep distress and embarrassment by sharing girls-only spaces with males."

Arkansas has passed good laws protecting students, but the Biden Administration's new Title IX rules threaten to upend those state laws. In 2021 Arkansas passed Act 461 by Sen. Missy Irvin (R – Mountain View) and Rep. Sonia Barker (R – Smackover). This good law protects fairness in women's sports by preventing male student athletes from competing against girls in women's athletics at school. In 2023 Gov. Sanders signed Act 317 by Rep. Mary Bentley (R – Perryville) and Sen. Dan Sullivan (R – Jonesboro) protecting privacy in public school locker rooms, showers, restrooms, changing areas, and similar facilities. This good law requires public schools to designate these facilities for "male" or "female" use. It also ensures boys and girls are given separate sleeping accommodations on overnight school trips.

Arkansans should be proud of Amelia Ford and Attorney General Tim Griffin for having the courage to defend Arkansas' students. Every student has a right to physical privacy and safety at school and on school-sponsored trips. Public school students' school records are protected by law, because we value student privacy. A student's physical privacy should be just as important. We believe our federal courts will agree and block the Biden Administration from reinterpreting Title IX.

From Left: Arkansas high school student Amelia Ford, Arkansas Solicitor General Nicholas Bronni, Arkansas Attorney General Tim Griffin, and Missouri Attorney General Andrew Bailey appear at a press conference announcing legal action against the Biden Administration's reinterpretation of Title IX.





Stephanie Nichols, Chief Legal Counsel and Director of Family Council's Arkansas Justice Institute

Erasing Women

By Stephanie Nichols, Chief Legal Counsel and Director of Family Council's Arkansas Justice Institute

One of the strangest things about expecting a baby in this day and age is that it is no longer politically correct to say “pregnant woman” or “mother.” When you go to the CDC, Cleveland Clinic, Evidence Based Birth, or other data-driven medical websites to obtain reputable medical information about pregnancy, you find the term “pregnant people” rather than “pregnant women.” I find it harder to trust information that refers to me as a “birthing person” or “pregnant person” instead of a “pregnant woman” or “mother.”

Some of our national political leaders likewise use the term “birthing person” to avoid saying “pregnant woman” or “mother,” and one of our Supreme Court justices could not say what a woman is because she is “not a biologist.” If science, law, and politics goes down this path of not telling the truth, then the consequences will ultimately be worse healthcare and fewer legal protections for women because our healthcare, political, and legal systems are embracing as truth something that is false.

When the most intelligent and esteemed people among us can no longer say that women have babies, this tells us where we are in society with regard to rejecting God's standards. We are getting so far down the line that we are rejecting the simplest, most basic truths. What could be more basic than the truth that women—not men—have babies? This is part of our “brave new world” that also erases women by letting physically stronger men play in their sports and win their awards.

Sin can be simply defined as rebellion against God's design and order, including rejecting what He has said in His Word. And because sin is a progression (James 1:14–15), there is always a next step. These are just some stops along a long line of progressively rejecting more and more of God's design. We start with rejecting that God has a unique design for male and female, and then we begin allowing children to attempt to medically change their sex—regardless of the irreversible and sterilizing medical consequences. Statistics show that girls are much more likely to make the decision to attempt to change their sex than boys.

I can't help but think that the worst form of “erasing women” is abortion, though. Mother Teresa is often credited with saying, “Abortion is profoundly anti-women. Three quarters of its victims are women: Half the babies and all the mothers.” Abortion deprives women of their incredible, life-giving power granted to them by God. There is simply nothing like the ability to grow new life within you and then bring new life into the world. A culture that promotes abortion really disempowers women by undermining women's unique attributes as given by God. The ultimate erasing of women and mothers comes not just by the terms used, but by being in a culture where women miss out on their own children. I hope Arkansas makes the choice to reject the Arkansas Abortion Amendment and instead chooses to be a culture that invests in advancing and protecting women, motherhood, and innocent human life.

Arkansas A.G. Continues Defending State Law that Protects Kids from Sex-Change Procedures

In May the Arkansas Attorney General's office filed arguments further defending the SAFE Act before the federal Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals. In 2021, lawmakers in Arkansas overwhelmingly passed the Save Adolescents From Experimentation (SAFE) Act—a good law that prevents doctors from performing sex-change surgeries on children or giving them puberty blockers and cross-sex hormones. Unfortunately, the law has been tied up in court for more than two years.

Sex-change surgeries and procedures can leave children sterilized and scarred for life. Not long after Arkansas passed the SAFE Act, a major hospital in Sweden announced that it would no longer give puberty blockers

and cross-sex hormones to kids. Since then, the U.K. has done the same, and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has added a warning label to puberty blockers after discovering they caused some biological girls to experience swelling in the brain. In fact, over the past three years, reports from Europe and elsewhere have shown time and again that Arkansas was right to pass the SAFE Act. To date about half the states in the U.S. have passed laws protecting children from sex-change surgeries, puberty blockers, and cross-sex hormones. We believe our courts ultimately will recognize that the SAFE Act is a good law and uphold it as constitutional.

ACLU Sues Arkansas For Requiring Driver's Licenses to List "Male" or "Female"

In May the ACLU filed a lawsuit against the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration over changes to driver's licenses. The ACLU is challenging the department's new rule requiring state-issued driver's licenses and photo IDs to list "male" or "female" as stated on the ID-holder's birth certificate.

The new rule prevents people from changing the gender on their driver's license or ID without documentation. It also eliminates the option of listing an "X" in place of "male" or "female." This will better safeguard the integrity of driver's licenses and other photo IDs the State of Arkansas

issues. However, the ACLU argues the state made the change abruptly without following the normal rulemaking process and that it will harm LGBT Arkansans.

Arkansas law makes it possible to change a birth certificate—including the sex listed on a birth certificate, if the person's name legally has been changed and the person has undergone a surgical sex-change procedure. Practically speaking, the new driver's license policy just ensures people follow the process outlined in state law if they want to change the gender listed on their driver's license.

July 5 Deadline Looms for Petition Drives in Arkansas

Groups who want to put a constitutional amendment up for a vote in Arkansas this November have until July 5 to turn in 90,704 petition signatures to make the ballot. Right

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now several measures are in play this year, and time is running out for the campaigns to gather petition signatures if they want their measures to be eligible for the ballot. Here are a couple of active petition drives:

Abortion: The group Arkansans for Limited Government circulating petitions for the Arkansas Abortion Amendment of 2024. If passed, this measure would write abortion into the Arkansas Constitution. The amendment contains no licensing requirements for abortionists and no health or safety standards for abortion. It actually prevents the Arkansas Legislature from restricting abortion during the first five months of pregnancy. This would allow thousands of elective abortions in Arkansas every year. It also paves the way for taxpayer-funded abortion in Arkansas—something voters on both sides of the aisle have opposed in the past.

Marijuana: Arkansans for Patient Access is currently spending tens of thousands of dollars to place a marijuana amendment on the ballot this November. Arkansans for Patient Access raised nearly a million dollars to support their ballot measure—mostly from marijuana growers and sellers who would be guaranteed a monopoly on Arkansas' marijuana industry in the future. The amendment does not limit the amount of THC in marijuana or marijuana edibles. It would give free marijuana cards to immigrants and out-

of-state residents who come to Arkansas. Marijuana users would no longer need to show they suffer from a specific medical condition listed in state law, and people would be able to grow and use marijuana at home. The amendment also repeals restrictions on marijuana advertising. All of this would make it easier for healthy people to use marijuana recreationally under the auspices of Arkansas' "medical" marijuana amendment.

In a few weeks we will know if either of these measures received enough petition signatures to be eligible for the ballot. If they do, Arkansans can expect a protracted fight over abortion and marijuana leading up to November.





Assistant Director David Cox

New Name Won't Fix What's Wrong With Boy Scouts of America

By David Cox, Assistant Director

On May 7, I received an email from the Boy Scouts of America announcing the organization was officially changing its name to Scouting America. The email said, "This change reflects the organization's ongoing commitment to welcoming every youth in America to experience the

benefits of Scouting... As we transition from Boy Scouts of America to Scouting America, we affirm our commitment to inclusivity, diversity, and the timeless values of scouting that inspire young leaders to reach their full potential." I'm sorry to say a new name won't fix what's wrong with the Boy Scouts of America.

The Boy Scouts of America has suffered setbacks over the last 20 years, and it has been in crisis for the past decade. What started more than a century ago as an iconic institution dedicated to making young men into resilient leaders has gradually devolved into an organization that has managed to all but abolish itself.

There are still scout troops in Arkansas that operate the way scouting's founders intended, but that isn't the case with the organization's top leaders who have let activists hijack the Boy Scouts of America for their agenda. Today one of the required merit badges for Eagle Scout is Citizenship In Society—which exposes scouts to pro-LGBT diver-

sity, equity, and inclusion training, otherwise known as DEI. Changes like these have fueled a mass exodus from the Boy Scouts—which some have speculated is the real reason the organization opened membership to girls in 2018. Along the way, lawsuits over sexual abuse by scout leaders have forced the Boy Scouts of America to file for bankruptcy and establish funds for victims.

As an Eagle Scout, it personally breaks my heart to see what the Boy Scouts of America has become. As a scout, I had the opportunity to spend a week canoeing in southern Canada and nearly two weeks backpacking in the mountains of New Mexico. I also regularly got to see the Ozarks up close. It was about much more than camping. I was able to experience failure, success, excitement, misery, and a whole host of challenges. Those experiences—as well as learning from other men along the way—help train boys to become better men.

Perhaps the biggest tragedy in all of this is that our society just doesn't have another institution ready to replace the Boy Scouts of America. Boys desperately need to be taught that true manhood is about biblical virtue—not muscle cars or video games. Churches and organizations like Trail Life USA are capable of doing that, but nobody is positioned to do that as well as the Boy Scouts once were. It's still possible for parents and churches to proactively raise boys into godly men, but the loss of one of our timeless institutions means we may find it isn't as simple as it once was.

Why Were Arkansas' "Medical" Marijuana Sales So High on 4/20?

In April the *Arkansas Times* reported that "Marijuana sales on 4/20, the unofficial cannabis holiday, nearly tripled the daily average for medical marijuana sales in Arkansas this year." Users reportedly bought more than \$2.1 million worth of "medical" marijuana on April 20—nearly three times the daily average.

But if "medical" marijuana is all about treating illness and helping sick people—as Arkansans were led to believe in 2016, when they passed the marijuana amendment—then why would "medical" marijuana sales spike on a day dedicated to getting high? Family Council said in 2016 that "medical" marijuana would end up simply being recreational marijuana masquerading as medicine. The fact that "medical" marijuana sales were so high on 4/20 would seem to suggest people are using it recreationally in Arkansas.

It's worth pointing out that right now an amendment effort is underway to drastically expand marijuana in Arkansas. If passed, the 2024 marijuana amendment would give free

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Biden Administration Moves to Reclassify Marijuana

On May 16 the Biden Administration’s Justice Department announced plans to reschedule marijuana from a Schedule I drug to a Schedule III drug—putting it in the same category as anabolic steroids or Tylenol with Codeine. This move comes despite growing evidence that marijuana use is harmful—especially for teens and young adults. Nationwide, since 2019, the number of kids diagnosed with cannabis-induced mental disorders, including schizophrenia and psychotic episodes, has increased by 50%. And research has shown time and again that marijuana has a significant potential for dependence and abuse.

Reclassifying marijuana as a Schedule III substance is more than just bureaucratic tinkering. It may not legalize marijuana outright, but to many people it represents some sort of endorsement of marijuana—making it more accessible and acceptable. Christians understand that human beings were made for a higher purpose than getting high, and scientific evidence continues to underscore the harm that marijuana causes to individuals, families, and communities. That is why Family Council intends to submit comments to the federal government formally opposing this attempt to reschedule marijuana.

Homeschool Robotics Team from Arkansas Competes in World Championship

In May a homeschool robotics team from Russellville competed in the world robotics championship. Power Supply, a team of middle school-aged home schoolers who meet weekly at the Pop County Library in Russellville, built a robot using parts by VEX IQ. In March, Power Supply secured an invitation to the 2024 VEX Robotics World Championship in Dallas. The championship included more than 400 teams from multiple countries competing in various events. Power Supply reportedly placed 52nd in their competition. We want to congratulate these students for their achievement and recognize them for the way they represent Arkansas’ homeschoolers. This is just one more example of how homeschooling gives students the opportunity to thrive.

Pro-Lifers Celebrate Baby Box Installation at Little Rock Fire Station

On May 15 pro-lifers celebrated the installation of a new Safe Haven Baby Box at a Little Rock fire station—part of the pro-life community’s dedication to providing alternatives to abortion. Arkansas enacted its Safe Haven Law in 2001 to protect babies from being abandoned by parents who are unwilling or unable to provide parenting. Under the law, a parent may surrender an infant anonymously and without question at a hospital emergency room or law enforcement agency. Since then, lawmakers have amended the Safe Haven Act to let fire stations install Safe Haven Boxes—sometimes called “baby boxes”—where women can anonymously place their newborn. Multiple children who might have been aborted have been safely surrendered using these Safe Haven Boxes instead. It’s good to see cities like Little Rock install these Safe Haven Boxes in their communities.



Above: Power Supply, a home school robotics team from Arkansas, competed in the 2024 VEX Robotics World Championship in Dallas from May 1–3 (Photo Credit: Facebook).

Here's Some of What You've Helped Us Accomplish in the First Half of 2024

Helping Women With Unplanned Pregnancies: Thanks to you, we were able to work with our friends at the Arkansas Legislature to secure \$2 million in grant funding for pro-life pregnancy help organizations. The money will go to voluntary grants that pregnancy resource centers can apply for. This will provide women in Arkansas with options besides abortion.

Opposing Abortion: Right now Arkansans for Limited Government is circulating petitions to place their abortion amendment on the ballot—but pro-lifers are fighting back. We are spreading the word about what this radical abortion amendment would mean for Arkansas, and Family Council Action Committee has launched a Decline to Sign campaign against the measure.

Fighting Marijuana: The marijuana industry is circulating petitions to place their amendment on the ballot. We are ready to fight back. In 2022 we helped successfully defeat recreational marijuana at the ballot box, and last year, we helped pass a law making Delta-8, an addictive marijuana derivative, illegal.

Educating Voters: Thanks to you, we were able to print and ship thousands of Arkansas Voter's Guides this spring. We even mailed a little less than 10,000 copies of the guide to likely voters living in different legislative districts around the state. This broadened the reach of the Arkansas Voter's Guide this year and helped Arkansans cast informed votes during the elections.

Standing Up for Arkansas Homeschoolers: Homeschooling has surged in Arkansas since 2020. We have been actively engaged in the rulemaking process for the LEARNS Act to make sure the Department of Education treats homeschoolers fairly and equitably. In May we helped organize a meeting between the Department of Education and homeschool support group leaders in Arkansas to explain more about how the LEARNS Act's Education Freedom Accounts will work. Our home school division, the Education Alliance, just finished two high school graduations in May, and they have been providing tools and resources for families every day.

We Need Your Help

We have a lot we want to accomplish in the next six months. This fall we plan to distribute thousands of voter's guides ahead of the 2024 elections. Groups are working hard to place marijuana and abortion on the November ballot, and we must continue to fight against their agenda.

In May I had the opportunity to meet with an attorney who drafts legislation for a national pro-life group, and he gave our team some excellent suggestions on legislation Arkansas can pursue in 2025. We plan to get that legislation drafted and ready for lawmakers to introduce next year.

There's more that I could tell you, but I want you to know that my team and I deeply value your friendship, your prayers, and your financial support. I hope you will send a generous, tax-deductible donation today, if you are able. **We will stretch your gift as far as we can to do the most good possible in Arkansas.**

Thank you for standing with us. Please let me know if there is ever anything my staff or I can do for you.

Sincerely,



Jerry Cox, President

Thank you!!

P.S. I'm so glad to tell you Gov. Sanders recently signed a measure providing \$2 million in grant funding for pregnancy resource centers in Arkansas. That money is going to support women, children, and families in the state. Campaigns are underway to write unrestricted abortion and marijuana into the Arkansas constitution. We are standing against these measures. I hope you will read this letter to find out about the important work we are doing in Arkansas. Thank you for your friendship and support!