

## O'Toole, Trudeau and Singh All Agree: "It's OK to Kill Baby Girls!"

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On June 2, 2021, Canadian MP's voted overwhelmingly AGAINST backbencher MP Cathay Wagantall's Private Member's Bill C-233, the Sex-Selective Abortion Act.¹ In doing so, they voted against providing any protection whatsoever to pre-born baby girls who are selected for abortion solely on the grounds of being female. The philosophical contradictions required to vote against the best interests of women while claiming to be "feminist" are quite complex.

This vote really exposed the contortions MPs and political parties will go through in an attempt to placate left-wing ideologues and to avoid the elephant that, by the way, is still in the room. By a crushing majority of 248 to 82, MPs from ALL parties in the house chose the politically-correct and morally-wrong position that 'a woman's right to choose' outweighs any concern about 'a woman's right to be born.' In the debate, the tired old cliches about a woman's choice were dragged out again and again, while the injustice of allowing a husband or other family member to decide whether a pre-born female child should be killed was completely ignored.

Before we go farther, we would like to thank MP Cathay Wagantall for presenting and ably defending C-233. In today's political climate and with her party Leader, Erin O'Toole, opposing her in this crucial battle, she deserves the thanks of every pro-lifer in the country. She has earned her reputation as a principled politician who is committed to serving Canadians—born and pre-born—over personal career goals. She will be rewarded in eternity for her faithful efforts.

Next—for the benefit of those still hoping for some good to come out of Erin O'Toole's leadership of the Conservative Party—we have to face the facts. Erin O'Toole, like PM Justin Trudeau, voted against protecting baby girls from sex-selective abortion. This did not come as a big surprise, as he had already made a very public statement promising to do just that. While he theoretically allowed his MPs a free vote, his opposition to C-233 definitely reduced the likelihood of Conservative MPs supporting it.

The shocking thing about this particular vote is that EVERY MP from every party should have been able to support it, regardless of political affiliation and regardless of his or her general position on abortion. Because this bill was addressing the deliberate killing of a child in the womb based on its sex alone (females are the usual victims), 84% of Canadians supported this legislation and oppose the idea of aborting a child for this reason. It seems not only immoral but politically foolish to vote against this very modest proposal. Yet 100% of NDP, Bloc and Liberal MPs who showed up voted against C-233. Of course, in those parties, it would take unusual courage to vote against party policy. Liberal MP John Mackay—known, before the Trudeau era, as a pro-lifer—chose not to be present for the vote. That's a pity. His voice in support of the innocent and vulnerable would have been an encouragement . . . but he chose to remove himself from the room rather than face party discipline. How sad! I think he ought to join a party where his pro-life views would be appreciated, not squelched.

The squelching he puts up with comes from the PM himself, who claims to be a "feminist" and frequently refers to the tragic mass murder of 14 women at the Ecole Polytechnique de Montreal in 1989 to boost his credentials. The idea that thousands of pre-born girls are killed each year simply for being girls apparently does not move him at all. So much for Liberal feminism.

Jagmeet Singh, Leader of the NDP, certainly made his views known prior to the vote but he also chose not to be present. He let the rank-and-file NDP MPs do the dirty work for him. Like Trudeau and O'Toole, he obviously thinks his political career is more important than the lives of baby girls.

Of the 119 Conservative MPs in the House, only 68% of them voted in favour of their colleague's bill. Even if they were to form a majority government in the future, under O'Toole's leadership, they would never be able to actually pass a piece of pro-life legislation. Of the Conservative MPs who did support the bill, consider this: 31 of the 81 Conservatives who supported C-233 also supported the nomination of either Erin O'Toole in 2020, when he ran as a pro-choice (pro-abortion) leadership contestant or Peter Mackay, who was even farther left. When I look at the list of MPs who endorsed O'Toole or Mackay over pro-life MP Derek Sloan, it makes me wonder how they expected that the election of a leader who was actively promoting an anti-life position could ever lead to a good result in the House of Commons. As it is, any likelihood of the weakened and conflicted Conservative Party achieving victory in the next election has vanished. Compromise in the leadership contest in 2020 has guaranteed compromise on moral issues in 2021.

Again, we thank MP Cathay Wagantall for her good work and sacrifice to bring C-233 to the House. It was a noble effort. We also thank all the MPs who supported it, including, of course, Independent Derek Sloan.

For a party that is unequivocally and unanimously pro-life, we invite you to join the Christian Heritage Party of Canada. We won't compromise on the moral issues! Visit us at chp.ca.

## **Footnotes**

¹ www.lifesitenews.com/news/canadian-bill-to-ban-sex-selective-abortion-defeated-by-pro-abortion-politicians

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