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Pelosi Under Fire for Award From Tax-funded Abortion Group

For her crucial role in passing the wildly unpopular health-care “reform” bill and her dedication to ensuring that more federal funds will go to abortion, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi received the “Champion of Women’s Health” award from Planned Parenthood — an organization founded by racist eugenics leader Margaret Sanger that receives hundreds of millions of taxpayer dollars every year and has become the nation’s largest abortion provider.



“As the first female Speaker of the House, Rep. Nancy Pelosi was instrumental in the passage of the historic health care reform legislation,” explained a Planned Parenthood [press release](#) about the new award, established in the wake of ObamaCare’s passage.

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“During the health care reform debate she led her female colleagues in Congress as they stood strong against attempts to insert the Stupak abortion ban into the bill,” the statement added, referring to the amendment sponsored by Congressman Bart Stupak that would have prevented federally funded abortion subsidies under the health “reform” legislation.

“I think when the history books are written about who stood up for women when the chips were down, when a lot of folks were ready to throw us under the bus, it was Speaker Nancy Pelosi who did that work,” Planned Parenthood President Cecile Richards, Pelosi’s former deputy chief of staff, [told](#) the assembled crowd late last week. “She’s walked across hot coals for us.”

Pelosi has indeed done a great deal for the abortion group, particularly by ensuring that the steady stream of federal funds continues to flow toward the organization. In the stimulus bill, for example, the Speaker [defended](#) the hundreds of millions of dollars for “family-planning services” going to groups like Planned Parenthood by saying it would “reduce cost to the state and the federal government” — presumably by reducing the number of children.

At the award ceremony, Pelosi recalled the difficulties in getting the health-care reform legislation passed despite the fierce opposition. “We had some pretty dark days,” she said, as [reported](#) by Politico.com. “Sometimes it didn’t look as if we’d be able to pass the bill. And sometimes people in the press said to me, this looks pretty desperate. How on earth are you going to pass this bill?”

But she didn’t give up. “And I said well, we’re going to pass it. And we’re going to go up to the gate and we’re going to push open the gate. And if the gate is locked, we’re going to climb over the fence. And if the fence is too high, we’re going to pole vault in. And if that doesn’t work we’re going to helicopter in.



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We're going to parachute in. But we're going to pass this obstacle," Pelosi said as hundreds of Planned Parenthood supporters cheered her on.

Democratic Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro of Connecticut and Democratic Senator Debbie Stabenow were also recognized for their efforts at the event in Washington, D.C.

"With their steadfast commitment to passing health care reform and making sure that women will be able to get the health care they need, the women leaders we honor today set the course to change the lives of millions of women for generations to come," Planned Parenthood President Richards said in a [statement](#).

Planned Parenthood is an extremely controversial organization. Not only does it surgically abort hundreds of thousands of children each year, critics [point](#) to statistics showing that it focuses primarily on minority neighborhoods. Its founder, [Margaret Sanger](#), was a well-known racist who literally advocated the extermination of non-whites and others who she deemed unfit. Sanger's so-called "Negro Project" actually enlisted the help of black ministers to achieve her goals.

Another point of contention among critics is that the organization receives hundreds of millions of tax dollars each year from federal, state, and local governments. Then, it uses some of its massive revenues to fund pro-abortion candidates, lobby for more money, and even sue governments that pass legislation it doesn't support. The group has also been [caught](#) on camera in multiple states on numerous occasions giving false information and even breaking laws in its drive to promote abortion.

Pro-lifers and other critics expressed outrage about the award bestowed upon Pelosi. "The award is Planned Parenthood's way of saying thank you for elevating the abortion machine that is Planned Parenthood to a level of government funding never before imagined, through the passage of the government health care takeover pushed so relentlessly by Pelosi," National Director Rita Diller of the American Life League's STOPP Planned Parenthood project told [LifeSiteNews.com](#).

"And she did it all while mocking God, claiming to be a devout Roman Catholic. Pelosi's final award will await her at the end of her life, when the blood of millions of innocent babies will rise up from the ground to testify against her," Diller added, saying Pelosi was also "accepting moral culpability for her bigoted denial of basic human rights and the murder of millions of human beings" by accepting Planned Parenthood's award.

Across the internet, countless critics also made their feelings known in the comment sections of various news organizations. "What a country! Kill unborn babies, win a prize! And on the taxpayer dime, too," [noted](#) Allan Jones on *The Hill* website. "Can you say Armageddon?" Others suggested Pelosi should be excommunicated from the Catholic Church, which opposes abortion. Even her bishop has [raised](#) concerns about her positions on life issues.

While President Obama did sign an executive order supposedly preventing federal funding for abortion through the health-care bill, the president of Planned Parenthood correctly dismissed it as a nothing but a "symbolic" gesture. And of course, as reported by *The New American* earlier this week, [ObamaCare abortion funding has begun](#).

It's no surprise that Planned Parenthood would honor legislators who unconstitutionally steer Americans' tax dollars toward it and the abortion industry as a whole. What is shocking, however, is the fact that Pelosi would openly accept an award from such an organization without being worried about keeping her job in Congress — especially since most Americans now [consider themselves pro-life](#), and even many pro-abortion voters don't think that tax payers should finance something a sizeable portion



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