Dear Voter and Friend of the Family:

Family Research Council presents our Vote Scorecard for the First Session of the 109th Congress. This Scorecard contains a compilation of significant votes representing a cross section of issues affecting the family. These recorded votes occurred in the U.S. House of Representatives during the First Session of the 109th Congress.

This scorecard shows how your elected officials voted on some of the critical issues involving the family. It is important to remember, however, that the votes you see here are only a few of the hundreds of recorded votes Members of Congress took in 2005. We have singled out for inclusion the most clear-cut, pro-family votes that came before Congress.

The election of 2004 was touted by the media as the election that the “values voter” won. President George W. Bush was returned to the White House and pro-family candidates helped increase the Republican majority in both chambers of Congress. The House recognized the renewed importance of Congress’ role in protecting the family by passing legislation that included increased fines for indecency, protections of parental rights in cases of minors crossing state lines for an abortion, elimination of the death tax, promotion of ethical stem cell research and an attempt to halt the court-ordered starvation of Theresa Marie Schiavo.

The hard fought victory of the 2004 election did not similarly translate into pro-family victories in the Senate. Bogged down by a debate over President Bush’s judicial nominees and fearful of a smaller but more vocal minority in the Senate, the Senate majority failed to act on the many initiatives taken by the House. The Senate did act on a number of President Bush’s judicial nominees, most notably Priscilla Owen, Janice Rogers Brown and William Pryor. In addition, the Senate attempted to save Theresa Marie Schiavo’s life by voice vote. In neither chamber was any action taken to protect marriage.

Due to the lack of substantial pro-family votes in the Senate we forego scoring the Senate on this Scorecard. We will encourage the Senate next session to take up the issues it has ignored in this First Session.

The votes recorded here are only part of our effort to protect the family. Only through your help as informed and active constituents, working with us in contacting your Members of Congress on pro-family issues, can we truly make headway with the increased pro-family majority in Washington. There is no greater asset in the battle to preserve the American family than an involved citizenry. Thank you for joining us in our defense of the family. We can’t do it without you. Please contact the Government Affairs office of Family Research Council for questions about the Scorecard.

Tony Perkins
President

Connie G. Mackey
Vice President of Government Affairs
1 – Repeal of Faith-Based Provisions in Job Training Improvement Act
Offered by Rep. Bobby Scott (VA-D), this amendment (H.AMDT. 14) to the Job Training Improvement Act (H.R. 27) sought to strike the provision protecting the rights of faith-based organizations who participate in Workforce Investment Act programs to take religion into account in their hiring practices.
(Failed 03/02/2005, 186 ayes to 239 noes, Roll Call No. 46)
FRC Opposed this Amendment.

2 - Terri Schiavo Protection Bill
Sponsored by Senator Bill Frist (TN-R), S. 686 granted jurisdiction to the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida to hear a suit on behalf of Theresa Marie Schiavo for alleged violations of her rights, and granted standing to the parents of Ms. Schiavo to bring a suit under this Act. S. 686 passed in the Senate by voice vote, then passed in the House by roll call vote and was signed into law by President Bush on March 21, 2005. However, the U.S. District Court reviewed the case on March 22 and decided not to proceed with the suit. In violation of her due process rights, the State court order of March 18 to withdraw Ms. Schiavo’s feeding tube was upheld. Ms. Schiavo died on March 31, 2005.
(Passed 03/21/2005, 203 yeas to 58 noes, Roll Call No. 90)
FRC Supported this Bill.

3 - Death Tax Repeal Permanency Act
Introduced by Rep. Kenny Holshof (MO-R), this bill (H.R. 8) made repeal of the estate tax permanent.
(Passed 04/13/2005, 272 ayes to 162 noes, Roll Call No. 102)
FRC Supported this Bill.

4 - Child Interstate Abortion Notification Act
Sponsored by Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (FL-R), this bill (H.R. 748) prohibits transporting a minor across a state line to obtain an abortion without parental knowledge in a state that requires parental involvement in a minor's abortion decision. Makes an exception if the abortion was necessary to save the life of the minor.
(Passed 04/27/2005, 270 ayes to 157 noes, Roll Call No. 144)
FRC Supported this Bill.

5 - Reduce Funding for the National Endowment for the Arts
Offered by Rep. Joel Hefley (CO-R), this amendment (H.AMDT. 171) to the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006 (H.R. 2361) sought to reduce funding for the National Endowment for the Arts by $15 million.
(Failed 05/19/2005, 109 ayes to 311 noes, Roll Call No. 191)
FRC Supported this Amendment.

6 - Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act
Sponsored by Rep. Michael Castle (R-DE), H.R. 810 sought to overturn President Bush’s policy on funding human embryonic stem cell research by authorizing the National Institutes of Health to fund stem cell research that requires the destruction of human embryos.
(Passed 05/24/2005, 238 yeas to 194 nays, Roll Call No. 204)
FRC Supported this Bill.

7 - Require Military Hospitals to Perform Abortions
Offered by Rep. Susan Davis (CA-D), this amendment (H.AMDT. 209) to the National Defense Authorization Act, 2006 (H.R. 1815) sought to require U.S. military facilities overseas to offer abortions for military personnel and their families. This amendment would require taxpayers to pay for the use of military facilities and personnel to perform abortions.
(Failed 05/25/2005, 194 ayes to 233 noes, Roll Call No. 216)
FRC Opposed this Amendment.

8 - Protection of Display of 10 Commandments
(Passed 06/15/2005, 242 ayes to 182 noes, Roll Call No. 257)
FRC Supported this Amendment.

9 - Funding United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and Coercive Abortion
Rep. Carolyn Maloney (NY-D) offered an amendment (H.AMDT. 293) to the Science, State, Justice, and Commerce Appropriations Act, 2006 (H.R. 2862) that sought to prevent funds from being used to enforce a provision of U.S. law, known as Kemp-Kasten, that prohibits funding organizations that promote or facilitate coercive abortion programs. This amendment would have funded UNFPA despite its support for China’s one-child policy that relies on coercive abortions.
(Failed 06/16/2005, 192 ayes to 233 noes, Roll Call No. 266)
FRC Opposed this Amendment.

Sponsored by Rep. Henry Hyde (IL-R), H.R. 2745 would reform the United Nations, making it U.S. policy to redirect contributions to the UN reform
budgetary process of 18 programs and making the budget process accountable. The bill enacts at least 32 of 39 suggested reforms, or the UN risks losing up to 50 percent of the United States’ contribution to their budget.

(Passed 06/17/2005, 221 ayes to 184 noes, Roll Call No. 282)

FRC Supported this Bill.

11 - Constitutional Amendment to Prohibit Flag Desecration

Sponsored by Duke Cunningham (CA-R), H.J. Res. 10 amends the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the U.S. flag.

(Passed 06/22/2005, 286 yeas to 130 nays, Roll Call No. 296)

FRC Supported this Bill.

12 - Prevents Enforcement of Kelo Eminent Domain Ruling

Rep. Scott Garrett (NJ-R) offered an amendment (H.AMDT. 427) to the Transportation, Treasury, HUD, Judiciary, the District of Columbia Appropriations Act, 2006 (H.R. 3058) prohibiting the use of funds to enforce the judgment of the U.S. Supreme Court in the case of Kelo v. New London. The ruling decided on June 23, 2005 nullified private property protections in the 5th Amendment by allowing private property to be seized by a government for economic development. This amendment prohibits federal funds from being used by local governments to take private property for economic development.

(Passed 06/30/2005, 231 ayes to 189 noes, Roll Call No. 350)

FRC Supported this Amendment.

13 - Federal Hate Crimes Amendment

Offered by Rep. John Conyers (MI-D), this amendment (H.AMDT. 544) to the Child Safety Act, 2005 (H.R.3132) would establish federal “hate crimes” for certain violent acts based on the actual or perceived race, religion, disability, gender identity or sexual orientation of any person.

(Passed 09/14/2005, 223 ayes to 199 noes, Roll Call No. 469)

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**SCORECARD LEGEND**

+ Voted With FRC Position
- Voted Against FRC Position

+ Voted With FRC Position on All Votes

NV Did Not Vote (Since #2 was an emergency vote with many Representatives out of town, NV on #2 was not factored into the score totals. Elsewhere, an NV is factored as a vote against.)

P Voted Present
I Not in Office
S Speaker Did Not Vote

**HOUSE VOTES**

Christopher Cox (R-CA) Resigned August 2, 2005 following his confirmation to be chair of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Robert Matsui (D-CA) Died January 1, 2005

Doris Matsui (D-CA) Elected March 8, 2005

Rob Portman (R-OH) Resigned April 29, 2005 following his confirmation as U.S. Trade Representative
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**House Votes**

1. Marsha Blackburn (R) 100%
2. John Tanner (D) 46%
3. Harold Ford (D) 23%
4. Louie Gohmert (R) 100%
5. Ted Poe (R) 100%
6. Sam Johnson (R) 100%
7. Ralph Hall (R) 100%
8. Jeb Hensarling (R) 75%
9. Joe Barton (R) 23%
10. John Culberson (R) 100%
11. Kevin Brady (R) 92%
12. Al Green (D) 8%
13. Michael McCaul (R) 85%
14. Mike Conaway (R) 85%
15. Kay Granger (R) 67%
16. William Thornberry (R) 100%
17. Ron Paul (R) 75%
18. Ruben Hinojosa (D) 75%
19. Silvestre Reyes (D) 25%
20. Chet Edwards (D) 31%
21. Sheila Jackson Lee (D) 17%
22. Randy Neugebauer (R) 100%
23. Charles Gonzalez (D) 0%
24. Lamar Smith (R) 85%
25. Tom Delays (R) 100%
26. Henry Bonilla (R) 92%
27. Kenny Marchant (R) 100%
28. Lloyd Doggett (D) 0%
29. Michael Burgess (R) 100%
30. Solomon Ortiz (D) 42%
31. Henry Cuellar (D) 46%
32. Gene Green (D) 25%
33. Eddie Bernice 0%
34. John Carter (R) 85%
35. Pete Sessions (R) 75%
36. Rob Bishop (R) 100%
37. Jim Matheson (D) 38%
38. Chris Cannon (R) 100%

**Score**

- Vermont: 100%
- Virginia: 92%
- Washington: 8%
- West Virginia: 69%
- Wisconsin: 67%
- Wyoming: 100%