



# Nevada Concerned Citizens

Working to strengthen the family, foster free enterprise, support a strong national defense, reinforce the moral fiber of the community, and preserve freedom.

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Dear Friends of NCC,

Elections have consequences and the 2008 election has thrust Marxist Idealism into our economy and Secular Humanism into our culture. We have been heading in this direction for many years but if left unchecked, this rapid advance will destroy our economy and heathenize our culture.

This past November, a group of Catholic, Orthodox, Anglican and Evangelical Christian leaders released the Manhattan Declaration, a document reaffirming and promising to defend fundamental truths in three areas:

1. The sanctity of human life;
2. The dignity of marriage as the conjugal union of husband and wife; and
3. The rights of conscience and religious liberty.

It is clear that these basic truths are being threatened today on all sides. Millions of innocent children are being killed by abortion; same-sex "marriage" has become common in several states; and there are very real threats to our ability to freely practice religion and follow our consciences.

Nevada Concerned Citizens has been fighting these battles at the state level for over 20 years.

Here is a current example:

During Nevada's 2009 legislative session we fought the "Domestic Partnership Act" which directly mirrors our state's marriage statutes. This legislation was passed with an override vote of the Governor's veto. This would never have happened but for the liberal majorities elected in 2008. In fact, all it took was for Republican Senator Dennis Nolan to change his vote in the Senate to apply the marriage statutes to same-sex couples. They effectively accomplished an end run around our constitution's prohibition against same-sex marriage.

**Values voters need to know where the candidates stand on issues important to them. NCC's Values Voter Guide is that resource.** The Nevada Concerned Citizens

board has been reviewing questionnaires and interviewing those candidates we believe are worthy of your support.

We have just completed the interview process for the Primary Election and we need your financial help to promote and distribute our voter guide. This election cycle is so important that we need to double our efforts and we hope you can help us.

Las Vegas is known as "Sin City" and there are those who believe that marketing "SIN" is a way out of the current and future recessions. Last week I was interviewed for a documentary investigating the use of specific sin-based activities as a draw for tourism.

My role in the interview was to provide a morally-based response to three proposed revenue sources for Nevada.

◆◆◆ Legalization of the recreational use of marijuana ◆◆◆

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Let me assure you, those promoting these concepts are serious.

They made a direct comparison to Amsterdam believing that Las Vegas and Nevada can become the ultimate "Red-Light District" of the nation and the world.

In fact, the organization promoting the legalization of the recreational use of marijuana has collected enough signatures to place an initiative on the November ballot. This is their second effort to do so, and they will not stop until they are successful.

Prostitution is currently legal in most of Nevada's counties and their lobbying and public relations effort is working. The Nevada public is being duped on this issue. They claim keeping prostitution legal is a good revenue source, it allows for regulating the trade and keeping the girls safe.

Let me point out just one major lie on the issue of prostitution. We hear over and over again from candidates that it is safer for the girls because the law requires the girls to be tested for sexually transmitted diseases.

No..... actually it's only safer for the Johns.

When a girl is found to be infected she is thrown out on the street.

I expect to hear this argument from liberals and libertarians, but it absolutely amazes me that even some of the otherwise socially conservative candidates won't take a moral stand against prostitution.

The fact is: prostitution is immoral, degrading and abusive to women.

**A Values Voter needs to know who supports the abuse of women through legalized prostitution and who doesn't. The NCC Voter Guide gives you this valuable information.**

It's no secret that drug use and prostitution go hand-in-hand. So which came first, the drug use or the prostitution? Some girls are trafficked into prostitution and drugged by their pimps, some girls went into prostitution to pay for their drug habit and others simply cannot stomach such a lifestyle without the use of drugs.

That covers two of our new revenue sources. And it appears that they work together quite well.

The third new revenue source is homosexual marriage. Nevada has been known for its marriage chapels and quick divorce. They want to bring back Nevada as the marriage capital of the world with a new spin: homosexual marriage. Nevada will become "The" homosexual marriage destination, bringing hundreds-of-millions of dollars into our economy.

Nevada has a constitutional prohibition against homosexual marriage. So why are they even talking about this revenue source? Based upon the questions asked of me, they expect to be able to overturn our marriage amendment within ten years.

As mentioned above, they have already passed domestic partnerships. They will use this state sanctioning of homosexual relationships to educate our youth and promote same-sex marriage as a revenue source.

**The NCC Voter Guide will let you know who supports this homosexual agenda. You will be disappointed in a number of your otherwise conservative candidates.**

I want to cover one last issue and that's the economy and taxation. Today the Tea Party movement has taken the lead in the promotion of smaller government, lower taxation and a balanced budget. This movement consists of both social and fiscal conservatives as well as many independents. It appears that the social issues have taken a back seat to economic concerns.

Of course we are all concerned about the economic stability of our nation, but we have failed to show how social conservative values lead to a stable economy.

We have all emphasized the Reagan tax cuts and the resulting prosperity that resulted, but those results don't compare to the growth of the 50's and 60's. During the time period between 1950 and 1970, the median income of a married couple increased in

inflation adjusted terms by 93% while the GDP increased 112 percent. This was accomplished with only one wage earner in the vast majority of households.

But during the time period between 1980 and 2005, the GDP increased at the same rate (113 percent) and the income only increased by 26%. This occurred as many mothers joined the work force and the average family size dropped from just under four to two children. In fact, the median income of the married-couple family with a stay at home mother increased by only 4%.

The prosperity of the 50's and 60's was ushered in by the 1948 Revenue Act that targeted tax relief toward married parents with children. The across the board tax relief of the 80's and 90's was not nearly as effective.

In, "Grand New Party" Douthat and Salam make the basic argument that, "*It's the culture, stupid.*" After quoting the statistics above they go on to say:

*The economic order reinforced the social order and vice versa: There were stable families in every stratum of society, and rising incomes as well. Marriage rates soared, and birth rates followed: divorce rates plunged: the illegitimacy rate fell among rich and poor alike. The chaos associated with industrialization had been turned back, seemingly: civic life flourished, church going rose, and crime rates fell and fell. Immigration had been tightly restricted, and assimilation had worked so well that fewer Americans spoke a foreign language in the fifties than at any point since the 1840's.*

**Social conservatism is what our state and nation needs to flourish again. Nevada Concerned Citizens needs your financial help to promote socially conservative candidates.**

Please consider sending your most generous gift today.

Sincerely,



Richard Ziser, Chairman  
On Behalf of the NCC Board

Ps: The Primary election is our best opportunity for effective change. We need to raise a substantial sum in a short amount of time. Our basic needs are for the printing, promotion and distribution of our Values Voter Guide. I know times are tough, but I need to challenge a few of you to dig deep and help us with a series of radio spots. We are looking to raise an additional \$25,000 for this media effort.