

1 **OVERTURE 28** from the South Florida Presbytery (to OC)
2 "Sanctity of Life Resolution"
3

4 **Whereas** the Holy Spirit, speaking infallibly in Scripture, declares that human life is sacred,
5 and that it begins at conception; and
6

7 **Whereas** this authoritative declaration by Almighty God makes the protection of all human
8 life from the moment of conception to the moment of birth an inescapable moral duty
9 for all men; and
10

11 **Whereas** the taking of the life of an unborn person is a violation of the sixth commandment,
12 "Thou shall not murder," and is in fact premeditated murder; and
13

14 **Whereas** a considerable number of our elected and appointed government leaders want to
15 make and keep legal the killing of the unborn for any and every reason; and
16

17 **Whereas** this assault on the unborn calls for a unified effort by Christians of all dominations
18 to protect the unborn child from the moment of conception to the moment of birth
19 and afterwards; and
20

21 **Whereas** each and every person will one day stand before our sovereign God to give an
22 account for his or her life, and whether or not that life was lived under the Lordship
23 of Jesus Christ, the Lord of life;
24

25 **Therefore be it resolved** by the Presbyterian Church in America, that we will encourage all our
26 members to immediately begin to approach professing Christians in all denominations:
27

28 To join with the entire Body of Christ for the protection of the unborn, acting
29 in solidarity with other denominations in prayer and obedience to God, by
30 whose sovereign might alone the scourge of legalized abortion will be broken;
31

32 To speak prophetically against the culture of death, confronting it in the power
33 of God's truth;
34

35 To hold our culture accountable before the binding and unchallengeable
36 authority of God's Holy Word over every man, woman, institution, and nation,
37 in every area of life;
38

39 To lovingly call offending parties to repentance in Jesus Christ, and restoration
40 by the Holy Spirit to new obedience;
41

42 To proclaim the authoritative truth of God, both to our own members and in
43 the public square, concerning God's righteous demands upon the judicial,
44 legislative, and executive branches of our government at every level.
45

46 *Adopted by the South Florida Presbytery at its stated meeting, April 20, 2010*

47 *Attested by /s/ TE William N. Sofield, stated clerk*