

PROBE OF UNIV. OF PITTSBURGH WARRANTED

Catholic League president Bill Donohue contacted the Pennsylvania Auditor General today about allegations that researchers at the University of Pittsburgh are engaged in harvesting the organs of unborn babies.

August 17, 2021

Hon. Timothy L. DeFoor

Auditor General

Department of the Auditor General Finance Building

613 North Street, Room 229

Harrisburg, PA 17120-0018

Dear Auditor General DeFoor:

As president of the nation's largest Catholic civil rights organization, I am writing in support of State Rep. Kathleen Rapp, and Sean Parnell, who are calling for an investigation of research being performed on unborn babies by the University of Pittsburgh. It is alleged that organs have been harvested while the baby's heart is still beating.

The University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine has earned an outstanding reputation, and that is why reports that it is operating a fetal organ "chop shop" are so disconcerting. It is not for nothing that Judicial Watch is representing the Center for Medical Progress in obtaining documentation of this alleged human organ harvesting project.

Your role is critical. You could commence an investigation of state and federal funds being used by the University for arguably criminal activity.

If it is true, as some doctors have said, that in order to

perform some of these procedures, "The baby's going to have to be either born alive or be killed immediately prior to delivery," then justice demands that a thorough investigation take place. I urge you to do so.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

William A. Donohue, Ph.D.

President

cc:

State Rep. Kathleen Rapp

Sean Parnell

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