**PRESS CONFERENCE**

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Good Morning!

Our first outreach at **Abortionist Ulrich George Klopfer’s** **Friendship Family Planning** clinic in Gary was on September 28, 2012. When we arrived that day, the first person I talked with was a woman who had brought her 13-year-old daughter for an abortion. That abortion was not reported to any authorities **within the 3 days required by law**. That abortion was one of three unreported, underage abortions that eventually contributed to the Indiana Medical Licensing Board suspending abortionist Klopfer’s license to practice medicine and the ending of his career.

At the Gary clinic I noticed that the front door was covered by a metal “garage door” type barrier, so I reported that to the Gary Fire Department and the Gary Common Council. The report from their inspection revealed the following:

* Two rooms filled floor to ceiling with boxes and only a “narrow path snaking through” the room.
* Procedure and recovery rooms in the basement
* Standing water in places in the basement
* A foul odor
* Outdated equipment stored randomly in the basement.

Following our filing of over 600 complaints to the Indiana State Department of Health and the Attorney General, a subsequent licensure inspection revealed the same deplorable conditions.

The revelation this past week of Abortionist Klopfer’s collection of medically preserved babies has been shocking and sickening. I would not have been surprised if a burial site had been found on his property in Illinois or at his 4 properties in Gary, as he often carried garbage bags out of the clinic and put them in the trunk of his car. Now I wonder if those bags contained the babies he had aborted that day. Do we have here another Kermit Gosnell, a serial killer who also kept trophies? The bodies of these dead little boys and girls speak eloquently not only of what can happen even in a licensed abortion clinic, but also of the potential dangers of unlicensed, unsupervised facilities like the Whole Women’s Health clinic here in South Bend.

Because Klopfer had been observed continuing to go weekly to his clinics even after they were closed three years ago, even until the week before his death, I have to wonder, “**What was he doing**?” This activity in Indiana plus the discovery of 2,246 “trophies” found at his home in Illinois are the reasons we are calling for a thorough investigation of his properties and activities **in both states**.