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JUDICIARY COMMITTEE MEMBER RESPONDS TO PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTION RULING

Washington, D.C. – Iowa Congressman Steve King, R-Iowa, responded today to a federal judge’s ruling that the Partial Birth Abortion Act of 2003 is unconstitutional.

“Once again, the ethics and morality of the American people and the U.S. Congress have been trumped by an activist federal judge. As a result of this judicial arrogance, more innocent children will be gruesomely and barbarically killed by partial-birth abortions,” King said. **“The practice of inducing birth for the sole purpose of brutally murdering an innocent child has absolutely no place in civilized society and it is an outrage that one liberal judge can overrule the will of the American people and essentially sentence these babies to death.”**

The ban, which Congress passed and President Bush signed into law last year, was challenged by abortion advocates in New York City, San Francisco and Lincoln, Nebraska. Federal judges in California and New York ruled against the law earlier this summer. The Nebraska decision was announced today. King attended part of the Lincoln trial in April and held a news conference on the issue of activist judges.

King, who serves on the House Judiciary Committee, has advocated bringing activist judges before Congress to explain the constitutional basis for their decisions and has support on the Committee for this position.

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