



Concerned Women for America  
Legislative Action Committee

## **CWALAC of Georgia 2016 Legislative Priorities**

### **Religious Liberty**

- Defend the God-given and constitutionally guaranteed right of every Georgia citizen to worship God freely in thought, word, and action, according to the dictates of his or her conscience by supporting the passage of the Religious Freedom Restoration Act.
- Protect religious liberty and the right of conscience of those who affirm marriage as the union only between one man and one woman by supporting the passage of a state-level First Amendment Defense Act.

### **Defense of Family**

- Protect the privacy and safety of women and children by opposing any “sexual orientation and gender identity” nondiscrimination legislation, i.e., “bathroom bills”, which would allow transgendered men and women to utilize the bathrooms, showers and locker rooms of their choice.
- Protect families from the detrimental effects of gambling addiction by opposing legislation that would expand gambling to include casinos and pari-mutuel wagering on horse racing.
- Protect families from the detrimental effects of drug and substance abuse by opposing legislation that would authorize the State of Georgia to cultivate, produce and sell marijuana and its extracts.

### **National Sovereignty**

- Defend the U.S. Constitution and the Georgia Constitution by supporting legislation that will prohibit the application of foreign laws in Georgia courts.

### **Education**

- Ensure that Georgia maintains control of standards and testing by opposing any legislation that would align additional curricula to any nationally standards, i.e., Common Core standards.
- Increase State Board of Education accountability to the citizens of Georgia by supporting a constitutional amendment that would allow for the direct election of state school board members.
- Ensure the State School Superintendent stays directly accountable to the citizens of Georgia by opposing a constitutional amendment that would allow for the appointment of a State School Superintendent.

### **Sanctity of Life**

- Continue to support legislation that protects our state from practices and policies that endanger or debase innocent human life.