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News From Around PA

Mayors from Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Harrisburg, York, Lancaster, Ambler, Braddock, Carlisle, Downingtown, Doylestown, Easton, Hatboro, Jenkintown, Millbourne, Stroudsburg, Turtle Creek and West Chester joined a bipartisan group of 106 mayors from 28 states urging Congress not to defund Planned Parenthood.

Camp Hill Borough council unanimously passed a homosexual special rights ordinance.

Philadelphia and other PA cities are refusing to follow the National Voter Registration Act (motor voter) and the Help America Vote Act, which require states to remove from the rolls all ineligible voters -- including convicted felons. Examples of convicted felons

still on Philly's voter rolls include Kermit Gosnell, former Congressman Chaka Fattah and his son, Chaka, Jr.

Downingtown STEM Academy

assistant principle Dr. Zack Russ has resigned after he was caught on video verbally assaulting pro-lifers hosting a "holocaust of abortion" display on the public sidewalks outside the school.

PA health inspectors found a long list of health and safety violations at the **Hillcrest Women's Medical Center** in Harrisburg. They include failing to have a certified RN and OB-GYN on staff.

Philly Mayor Jim Kenney thinks recreational marijuana should be legalized and sold in the state liquor stores. Auditor General Eugene DePasquale sees full legalization as a possible revenue generator.

Philadelphia city attorneys have filed a petition for reconsideration with the PA Supreme Court, hoping to have last month's SEPTA ruling reversed. The justices found SEPTA, as a state agency, was not under the

authority of the city's Fair Practices ordinance.

Legislation intended to allow police officers to use **body cameras** in homes was unanimously approved in the state Senate, despite transparency concerns.

News from National Scene

Aetna has announced it will completely withdraw from the Obamacare marketplace in 2018.

Bradley Manning, convicted of disclosing classified information while serving in the Army, will be released next week after serving seven years of a 35 year sentence. President Obama issued a commutation of the sentence as one of his last acts in office in January.

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