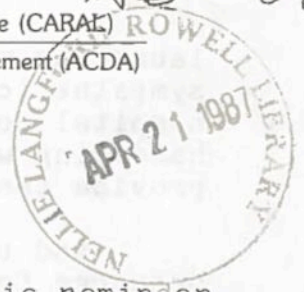


Freedom of Choice  
Liberté de choix



Canadian Abortion Rights Action League (CARAL)  
Association canadienne pour le droit à l'avortement (ACDA)

ABORTION  
AB 228



March, 1987

Dear CARAL Supporter:

The symbol on the top of this letter is a graphic reminder of why we must remain strong. Never again must women's reproductive fate be left to the back-alley butchers. That's why we cannot give up the battle for freedom of choice until it's won.

You've shown, by supporting the work of CARAL, that you're strongly committed to freedom of choice. Thanks to you we are reaching out to thousands of Canadians each year and enlisting more and more support. We thank you.

Your response to our Special Lobby Appeal for an increased presence in Ottawa has given us a much higher profile with our Members of Parliament.

Your generous contributions to our Ad Campaign Fund made it possible for the first time to advertise in Chatelaine - the highest-circulation magazine in Canada - and, as a result, we are now hearing from new supporters who were previously unfamiliar with our work and want to become involved.

Our continued defence of Dr. Henry Morgentaler and his colleagues has also been made possible by your contributions. With the fundamental question of the justice of the abortion law now under consideration by the Supreme Court of Canada, public and media awareness of the issue is at the highest level in CARAL'S history.

Your support enables us to carry on an extensive educational program across the country; through the publication of the quarterly PRO-CHOICE NEWS; the distribution of thousands of pieces of literature; a busy public speaking program; and by serving as a resource centre for the Canadian pro-choice movement.

As a result of all this work, and with the increased lobbying at both the federal and provincial levels, it's no longer possible for our legislators and law-makers to sweep the abortion issue under the political rug.

I am writing today to ask for your renewed support in 1987. Never has there been stronger support for freedom of choice and never have we been closer to achieving the goals we've worked so hard for. 1987 can be the year that we make great gains, but we can't do it without you.

Inevitably, the closer we get to victory the more desperate and strident our opposition becomes. Anti-choice groups are

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launching major fundraising campaigns and are lobbying sympathetic politicians. They're getting themselves elected to hospital boards and then closing down abortion services. They're harassing women who seek abortions and the medical staff who provide them.

And the government continues to procrastinate, bowing to pressure from this anti-choice minority. By refusing to act, the politicians are forcing countless women across the country who need abortions to wait for dangerous lengths of time, to travel long distances - often to the United States - and to spend a great deal of money, in order to get the help they need.

I need your help to fight back. And the time to act is NOW! Please join me and renew your support for CARAL in 1987.

Your support is CARAL's strength...quite simply, we exist only because of people like you. Please take a moment now -- use the enclosed coupon and postage-paid envelope and send your 1987 donation of \$25, \$50, \$75, \$100, or whatever amount you choose, to the Canadian Abortion Rights Action League today.

Please respond today. The closer we get to achieving our goals, the more critical your help is.

Everyone who responds will receive a sticker featuring the same symbol that appears on the envelope. Please place it in a prominent spot as a reminder that harsh and repressive legislation has never stopped abortion, and never will.

I would also like to invite you to attend CARAL's annual general business meeting to be held May 30th at the Ontario Institute For Studies In Education, 252 Bloor St. West in Toronto, from 9:30 am to noon. Just check off the box on the enclosed coupon and we'll send more information.

I hope you can make it! If so, please come over and say hello -- I'd welcome the chance to meet you and thank you in person for all your help. See you then, I hope.

Sincerely,

*Norma Scarborough*

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P.S. Our legislators are still dragging their feet. Help CARAL get the abortion law repealed and free-standing clinics legalized. Please send in your 1987 contribution today!