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Ending The War

CALL PRESIDENT BUSH (202) 456-7639 AND ASK HIM TO STOP THE WAR AND BRING THE TROOPS HOME NOW! Also write President Bush, The White House, Washington DC 20500

CALL THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS Javier Perez duCuellar (pronounced KWAY-ARR) (212) 963-1234 and/or write United Nations, NY, NY 10017 and urge him to demand an immediate cease-fire in the Mideast. (—UN Association)

MEDIA COVERAGE OF THE WAR Write Letters to the Editor, call Radio talk shows and contact TV stations to ask for more balanced coverage of different points of view concerning the war.

FOR MORE PEACE ACTIVITIES see the Ongoing Peace Activities and special events listed in the Calendar.



Peace Demonstrators marched on Feb. 16 from Fruitvale BART to San Antonio Park in Oakland. (Photo -- Ann Rushing)



Peace Activists at Sharon Meadows in Golden Gate Park in San Francisco to urge Bush to end the war on Feb. 16, 1991

NUCLEAR WASTE DUMP PLANNED IN WARD VALLEY, CA Don't Waste California recommends contacting your State Representative and Assemblymember Byron Sher, Rm 2316, State Capitol, Sacramento CA 95814 to oppose the Ward Valley Dump and call for hearings to discuss the following concerns:

Re-assess the hydrology of Ward Valley

Consider dump design options other than an open unlined pit

Consider special handling of Class C, group 4 nuclear waste

Re-assess Federal Law that doesn't protect the environment during the life of the waste

For more details contact Don't Waste California (415) 861-0592

Write to your Assemblymember: Assemblymember _____, California State Assembly, State Capitol, Sacramento, CA 95814.

SUPPORT FUNDING FOR ABORTIONS Help prevent the death of women from illegal abortions because they can't afford a legal one. Write your state Assemblymember in support of Joint Resolution Ten (AJR-10 by Jackie Speier) which asks the California Legislature to support RHEA (Reproductive Health Equity Act HR-766) which is a federal law that would repeal the Hyde Amendment, therefore allowing women who rely on the federal government for health care to receive funded abortions. (—State NOW)

NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT Contact Sen. John Seymour (202) 224-3841 and urge him to become a co-sponsor of S 250. The "motor voter" bill would allow citizens to register to vote when they apply for a driver's license, by mail, and at some govt. offices. S 250 would break down unnecessary barriers to voting, enfranchising millions of Americans. (—League of Women Voters of SF)

HELP SAVE CALIFORNIA REDWOODS The Cal. League of Conserv. Voters is asking people to write to the state Assembly in support of AB 87 (Byron Sher), a bill which establishes an 18-month moratorium on logging ancient redwoods. This legislation is crucial to stop the destruction of the 3000 acre Headwaters Forest, and gives the legislature time to develop a plan for permanently protecting these ancient forests.

Utah Outlaws Abortion

95% OF FIRST TRIMESTER ABORTIONS OUTLAWED On Jan. 25, 1991, Governor Bangerter signed into law the most restrictive anti-choice bill in the nation. The law denies women the right to have an abortion except when a doctor certifies that her life or medical health is in danger or that the fetus will be severely deformed. Even if a woman is a victim of rape or incest, she can only have an abortion within the first 20 weeks of pregnancy, and only if the rape or incest was reported.

Anti-choice groups are hoping that the U. S. Supreme Court will use this law to overturn *Roe v. Wade*, the 1973 decision guaranteeing women a constitutional right to abortion. Since that landmark decision, the Supreme Court has weakened this constitutional right, and many legal experts believe that the court could overturn *Roe* if the right case were presented to them. The Utah law could then affect all women in the U. S. if it is used to outlaw abortion.

While the eyes of the nation were on the Middle East war, Utah Senate Bill 23 was on a fast track through the Legislature. In one week's time it was introduced, moved through committees and both houses, and signed by the Governor. The House Health Committee debated less than 10 minutes on this bill.

One day after Bangerter signed this bill into law, Salt Lake City was the site of one of the largest citizen demonstrations in Utah. More than 3000 people packed the Capitol Rotunda for a pro-choice rally, and most marched to the Governor's mansion, placing coathangers on the fence surrounding his home. Utah NOW (National Organization for

Before abortion was legal, estimates of the number of women killed each year in the U. S. by illegal abortions range from 1,000 to 15,000. How many hundreds will die in Utah if this law stands?

Women) believes that the anti-choice legislators wanted this bill signed into law before the rally, planned since December.

The ACLU of Utah has promised to fight this law in the courts. Plans are already underway to have this law enjoined before it takes effect on April 27, 1991. Utah NOW will join this fight by filing an amicus brief.

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