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GENDER: The Threat to Children, Families & States

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- **1.** Human sexuality is an objective biological binary trait: "XY" and "XX" are genetic markers of male and female, respectively.
- 2. Sex means male or female.
- **3. Disorders of Sex Development** are birth defects that affect the genital and/or reproductive organs. Also called intersex disorders; intersex is NOT a third category of sex.
- **4. Gender now has many meanings:** male, female, and other false "identities" invented by activists that have nothing to do with a person's real body. Therefore, the word must be avoided or explicitly defined in policy and law.
- **5. Gender identity** refers to people's self-perception regarding whether they are male or female.
- **6. Gender dysphoria (or gender confusion or transgender belief)** affects people who identify as "feeling like the opposite sex" or "somewhere in between" even though they are in fact biological men or biological women.
- 7. As many as 98% of gender confused boys and 88% of gender confused girls eventually accept their biological sex after naturally passing through puberty.

8. When gender identity is protected in law, puberty blockers and cross-sex hormones given to gender confused children as young as age 9

Side effects include: permanent sterility cardiac disease high blood pressure blood clots stroke diabetes cancers

- 9. Rates of suicide are nearly twenty times greater among adults who use cross-sex hormones and undergo cross-sex surgery, even in Sweden which is among the most LGBTQ affirming countries.
- 10. Conditioning children into believing a lifetime of chemical and surgical impersonation of the opposite sex is normal and healthful is child abuse.
- 11. Gender identity laws promote this abuse, and eliminate women's and parents' rights.
 - a) Around the world, where gender identity has been protected in law, men and boys are allowed to claim to be women or girls, and thereby gain access to sex-assigned spaces and activities. Examples include girls & women's restrooms, locker rooms, shelters, prisons and sports teams. Girls and women are being sexually harassed, assaulted and otherwise harmed as a result of the law.
 - b) Around the world, where gender identity has been protected in law, parents have lost the right to educate their children in matters of faith and sexuality; schools have helped children try to change their gender without parental knowledge; parents are having children removed by courts if parents refuse to consent to dangerous hormones for their children.