
“A Letter to My Family – to Keep Them Safe”

“After the horrific events in Israel & the protests here in America I wrote this letter to my children. It is my plan to protect them based upon more than 10 years in national security. Please share.”

– Sebastian Gorka/Dr. G, Oct. 23, 2023

“Terrorists want you to be afraid. Don’t be afraid. Be wise. Be prepared.

“Given what has happened in the last 14 days, I expect the war in Israel to escalate.

“With the jihadi murder of a teacher in France and two Swedish tourists gunned down in Belgium since the Hamas attacks, plus our embassies being surrounded and one set ablaze in the Middle East, the spread of violence to America is sadly inevitable.

“As a result we need to make yourselves harder targets for those who may want to hurt us simply because we are American.

“The nature of the threat

“For us living just outside DC, and with business there every day, the threat is the highest, given the symbolism of the capital, and the number of attractive targets for terrorists. Since I am licensed to carry concealed weapons, I am armed at all times. As the saying goes, ‘It’s better to have it and not need it, than need it and not have it.’

“For those of us who don’t have a Concealed Carry Permit, now is the time to get certified and apply. Once you are qualified, train, train and train. A weapon is of no use, in fact it is a deadly liability if you aren’t comfortable with it, or cannot use it proficiently, and are clear where you can deploy it legally and legitimately.

“In the meantime until you are certified and comfortable you should be carrying the best defensive CS of pepper-spray out there. I recommend this one.

“For those of us living and working in states and municipalities which have heavy restrictions on what you can and can’t carry, there are still many options open. Outside of the capital, the level of threat is thankfully lower. Instead of a sophisticated terrorist attack by multiple perpetrators, the most likely scenario for violence is a sole gunman or knife attack, as in France, or an anti-America protest unexpectedly getting violent.

“As a result, in addition to Mace or pepper-spray, I suggest you start carrying the backpack I sent you after the last jihadi attack, when you are out and about, the one with the ballistic panel. Make it your standard bag for the next few weeks at least.

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“Today’s Kevlar panels are light years ahead of the bulky ones from years ago. They are now super light and super thin, and can even just be slipped into a large handbag and used as a shield if an attack starts and you need to escape. I have tested the ones from Maverick Tactical. They will stop multiple rounds of handgun ammunition at point-blank range. Trust me. I’ve tested them!

“The best scenario of course, is to not be in harm’s way in the first place. To that end, I suggest we all avoid unnecessary exposure. That means large crowd events that are attractive to assailants because of the concentration of innocent victims. It also includes visits to symbolic locales like New York.

“Whenever you do go out, remember what I told you years ago.

“At the mall, in a restaurant, etc., always note all the exits. For example, if an attacker comes in a restaurant, people will automatically rush the door, likely moving right into the kill-zone.

“But every store or restaurant has a rear entrance, and the kitchen or rear storeroom exit is your safest avenue of escape. So whenever you walk into a store, or sit down to eat a meal, the first thing you should always do is note and internalize alternative exits to the one you came in through.

“If an attack does happen and you cannot fight or escape straight away, understand the difference between concealment and cover. Ducking behind a chair is concealment but will not stop a bullet. Hiding behind a structural column that goes all the way to the roof will for example, as they are made of steel or concrete.

“We will not live in fear. But for the next few weeks or months, let’s make it as hard as possible for the filth who hate America and our civilization to hurt us.

“You are the most precious things to me and your mother.

“I love You All!

“Dad¹”



¹ The Dad who wrote this is 53-year-old British-born Hungarian-American Sebastian Lukacs Gorka, whose parents escaped Communist Hungary and settled in London. His education: St. Benedict’s School in Ealing, West London; Heythrop College, University of London (BA); and Corvinus University (MA, PhD), Budapest. “Seb” became a U.S. citizen in 2012. He was a Harvard Kennedy School of Government fellow, associate dean at National Defense University and taught in the Master’s program at Georgetown University. He has briefed the CIA, DIA, U.S. Navy Seals, Commandant of the Marine Corps, was an expert for the DoJ in the Boston Bombing trial, testified to Congress on Global Jihadism threats and is guest instructor for John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, at the home of the Green Berets in Fort Bragg, North Carolina, U.S.A.. In 2017 he served in the Trump Administration and in 2020 President Trump named him to the National Security Education Board created by Congress in 1991. Currently, he is a Salem Radio Network and NewsMax TV media host and commentator. *Dr. G.’s Briefing* is online at sebastiangorka.substack.com/podcast.

Heartbeat Law Upheld

Living Infants Fairness and Equality (LIFE) Act

On October 24, 2023 the Georgia Supreme Court¹ voted 6 – 1 to uphold the LIFE Act that passed as H.B. 481 in 2019. Two of the nine Justices abstained as one voted NO.

When Representative Ed Setzler and six co-signers introduced H.B. 481, it was entitled the “Living Infants Fairness and Equality (LIFE) Act,” placed in the House Hopper February 25, 2019 and was “first-read” in the House the next day. Nick-named “the heartbeat bill” during the legislative process, it was processed through the legislature and survived language tweaks in both House and Senate. The final version passed the Senate 34 – 18 on March 22, 2019 and on March 29, 2019 the House passed it 92 – 78. Governor Kemp signed it on May 7, 2019 and the LIFE Act was set to become effective January 1, 2020.

Was Blocked, Now Un-blocked

Claiming it violated *Roe v. Wade*, a 2019 pro-abortionists’ lawsuit blocked implementation of the LIFE Act that worked through legal challenges in Georgia, until the 2022 U.S. Supreme Court overruled *Roe v. Wade* in its *Dobbs v. Jackson* decision. After that decision, the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals un-blocked the law and Georgia began enforcing the LIFE Act less than a month later. Continued opposition to the Act culminated in the October 24th decision of the Georgia Supreme Court that the LIFE Act is constitutional and remains enforceable in Georgia. The vote was 6 – 1, two Justices abstained, and one voted no. An October 24th news article reporting that the law was in effect during litigation, attributed that to Governor Kemp.

October 24th Opinion written by Justice Colvin

Georgia Supreme Court Justice Verda Colvin wrote the October 24th opinion, commenting that it’s right “because the U.S. Supreme Court clearly ruled in *Dobbs* that *Roe* and its progeny no longer control,” and, since *Dobbs* reflects the U.S. Constitution, it must be “faithfully applied.” Appointed by Governor Brian Kemp to the Georgia Supreme Court July 20, 2021, she is the first African-American female appointed by a Republican governor to the State Supreme Court. She has served on the Court of Appeals, Superior Court Macon Judicial Circuit, as Mercer Law School adjunct professor and, as a member of Macon First Baptist Church, has taught children’s Sunday School and, currently, is on the Women’s Ministry Leadership Team. She is the mother of two children and wife of Nathaniel Walker with whom she shares two other adult children.

Provisions of the Heartbeat Law

- “Natural person” is defined as “any human being including an unborn child.”
- An unborn child with a detectable human heartbeat will be counted as part of the population.
- “Unborn child ...who is carried in the womb” is a human being at any stage of development.
- An unborn child with a detectable heartbeat qualifies as a dependent minor.
- No abortion is authorized or shall be done on an unborn child with a detectable heartbeat,
(a) unless a physician reasonably determines/judges that the pregnancy is medically futile, or
(b) it would cause actual permanent bodily impairment or death to the pregnant woman.
- A child who can sustain life after surviving abortion must be given life-sustaining services.
- Women violated under this Act may collect damages, including value of life, in civil actions.
- The Woman’s Right to Know material must include heartbeat data “as early as six weeks.”

¹ Georgia Supreme Court Justices: Michael P. Boggs, Chief Justice; Nelson B. Peterson, Presiding Judge; and Justices Sarah Hawkins Warren, Charles J. Bethel, John J. Ellington, Carla Wong McMillian, Shawn Ellen Lagrua, Verda M. Colvin, and Andrew A. Pinson.

Georgia Bill to Protect Cash Didn't Pass

“...unless otherwise permitted by law, a merchant may not discriminate against a cash buyer by requiring the use of credit in order to purchase such merchant's goods and services and shall not refuse to accept legal tender when offered as payment by a buyer....”

– H.B. 1152, 2022 (lines 16-18)

H.B. 1152 Fair Business Practices Act, introduced February 2, 2022 by Representative Mesha Mainor, (a) protected the right of consumers in Georgia to use cash to pay for purchases and (b) required merchants to accept cash as payment. When the 30-member (23 Republicans, 7 Democrats) House Agriculture & Consumer Affairs Committee favorably reported H.B. 1152 out of committee March 9, 2022, it went into the House Rules Committee (30 Republicans, 8 Democrats) that held it in that 38-member bipartisan committee until it died when the 2022 legislative session ended.

That defeat may have occurred because President Biden's executive order on the future of money, a central bank and digital currency (CBDC) was issued March 9, 2022, the same day H.B. 1152 came out of committee. That EO – “Ensuring Responsible Development of Digital Assets” – is the Biden Administration's plan to develop, implement and adopt *international central bank digital currencies (CBDCs)* and study possible CBDC effects on U.S. currency. The failure of H.B. 1152 left Georgia without a law to protect consumer rights to continue using cash if a CBDC were implemented.

U.S. Treasury Department CBDC Report March 1, 2023

“In summary, U.S. policy makers are evaluating whether a U.S CBDC is in the national interest. As part of this effort, Treasury is leading an interagency CBDC Working Group to support the Fed and develop recommendations related to policy objectives for which a broader Administration perspective is helpful: global financial leadership; national security; and privacy, illicit finance, and inclusion. Even as these deliberations continue, we recognize the importance of helping to shape global CBDC outcomes by actively participating in global standard-setting initiatives and by sharing technology and technical expertise with other jurisdictions that are developing CBDCs.”

– Under Secretary of Domestic Finance Nellie Liang, Six-page Report Concluding Paragraph

Report's Key Statement concerning U.S. Policymakers

“In the U.S., policymakers are continuing to deliberate about whether to have a CBDC, and if so, what form it would take. The Fed has also emphasized that it would only issue a CBDC with the support of the executive branch and Congress, and more broadly the public. Even as policy deliberations continue, the Fed is conducting technology research and experimentation to inform design choices so that it is positioned to issue a CBDC if it were determined to be in the national interest.”

Next Steps toward a U.S. CBDC

“... leaders from Treasury, the Federal Reserve, and [multiple] White House offices will begin to meet regularly to discuss a possible CDBC and other payment innovations”

ACTION – The Georgia General Assembly convenes January 9, 2024. Meanwhile, whenever you talk to your Georgia representative and/or senator, ask each to introduce/support/pass consumer protection to deal in cash.

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