

# FLORIDA FAMILY ASSOCIATION

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## **CITY COMMISSION VOTES 5 TO 2 TO END CITY MANAGER'S CONTRACT AFTER ANNOUNCING SEX CHANGE**

Largo City Manager Steve Stanton announced on February 21, 2007 that he would undergo hormone therapy and counseling in preparation for a sex-change operation. He made the announcement to the St. Petersburg Times with the mayor standing beside him. A television news report captured him saying that he had not yet told his 13 year old son.

The Largo City Commission would have been the first government body to approve a public official's sex change had they not voted to terminate the city manager's contract.

Mr. Stanton, 48, placed his personal sexual goals above the welfare of his wife, his 13 year old son, the image of a thousand City of Largo employees and the goodwill of the City of Largo's 69,371 residents. He expected city residents to ignore the reality that Main-

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## **PONTIAC PROUDLY SPONSORED FX'S TV SHOW "DIRT", FFA ASKS SUPPORTERS TO SEND EMAILS TO DEALERSHIPS**

Florida Family Association wrote numerous letters and emails to General Motors officials regarding Pontiac's advertisements on FX's new explicit, pornographic television show called Dirt.

Ryndee Carney, Manager, Advertising & Marketing Communications General Motors Corp. responded with the following email:

"This sponsorship is another example of how Pontiac is selecting from a wider range of programming and media. Pontiac's brand position is founded on a more

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## **DISNEY CO-NETWORKS APPEAR TO NO LONGER CARRY SHOWS THAT FEATURE THE PORN INDUSTRY**

Disney appears to have washed their hands clean of television shows that feature Playboy and porn businesses. The A&E and History channels, co-owned by Disney, have not aired numerous shows that featured Playboy in over a year. Additionally, Disney is no longer co-owner of the Entertainment Channel which continues to host Playboy's "Girls Next Door" and numerous other shows that feature porn celebrities.

It appears that emails from supporters of Florida Family Association email campaigns and FFA faxes to advertisers over a four year period made the difference.

The A&E channel used to air the following shows: Playboy's Celebrity Centerfold's, Inside the Playboy

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## **FFA URGES CITY OFFICIALS TO STOP PLAYBOY PORN PROMOTION AT TAXPAYER OWNED SPEEDWAY**

Playboy Playmates were scheduled to meet, greet and take photographs with patrons of the IndyPro™ Series Miami 100 race at the Homestead-Miami Speedway on March 24, 2007. The porn models were to sign their photographs and solicit subscriptions to Playboy magazine.

HomesteadMiamiSpeedway.com gave the following report: "Sophisticated guys and girls will want to take part in the Champions Club presented by Playboy®, an exclusive hospitality package offered during XM Satellite Radio SpeedJam™. Participants will watch

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## YOU AND ONLY YOU MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

This month we report a victory regarding Disney's new direction in television shows. Disney is moving away from television shows on their co-networks that once profited the porn industry. This victory happened because of you.

Florida Family Association, to our knowledge, is the only pro-family organization in the country that monitors programs on the Entertainment, A&E and History Channels. FFA communicates with advertisers regarding concerns about shows on those networks that promote the porn industry.

That means your support of Florida Family Association's efforts alone made this victory possible.

Florida Family Association has been the only organization involved in numerous other efforts. For example, our monitoring efforts also influenced VH1 to stop airing similar shows that promoted the porn industry such as When Playboy Ruled the World, Centerfold Babylon and Jenna Jameson's Confessions.

Florida Family Association is currently the only organization in the country that is:

1. Encouraging Comcast to remove porn shows from their E! and G4TV channels.
2. Asking fourteen major oil companies to enforce their "no-porn" policy at 170,000 retail locations.
3. Urging Circle K Stores (leading c-store porn retailer) to stop selling pornography.
4. Monitoring numerous advertiser supported cable networks for explicit, irresponsible shows and contacting advertisers.
5. Urging prosecutors to enforce federal obscenity statutes against 20 companies that FFA has determined through special software are responsible for more than 70% of the porn on the World Wide Web.

Please do not mistake this message as boasting. It is not intended to boast but to reveal just how important your prayers and financial support are to the success of our efforts. That is a responsibility we do not take lightly knowing that FFA alone carries the torch on numerous issues that affect our moral environment. Your support of this ministry is what makes the difference in all of these important efforts.

Please help us to be strong in all of our efforts by sending a gift in the enclosed envelope. THANK YOU.

Sincerely,

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## DISNEY CO-NETWORKS DROP PORN SHOWS

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Mansion, Hugh Hefner American Playboy, Biography Brigitte Bardot, Biography Jayne Mansfield, Biography Marilyn Monroe and Biography Traci Lords. The History Channel used to air the following programs: Inside the Playboy Mansion, American Classics America Transformed, Sex in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century and The History of Sex which contained explicit images. All of these shows, aired on unrestricted advertiser supported A&E and History Channels, contained frontal nudity.

Florida Family Association faxed over Two Thousand letters to companies that advertised on these A&E and History programs and numerous episodes that featured porn celebrities on the Entertainment Channel. FFA also encouraged thousands of supporters to send emails to companies that advertised on these shows.

Additionally, Florida Family Association filed a complaint with the FCC regarding the explicit content of Inside the Playboy Mansion. The producers significantly cut the explicit content out of Inside the Playboy Mansion after FFA filed the FCC complaint and faxed letters to advertisers. However, producers continued to air the explicit program that in effect was nothing more than an infomercial for Playboy's magazines, videos, etc.

Florida Family Association intensified communications with advertisers after A&E produced and planned to air a new show in November 2005 called Playboy's Celebrity Centerfold's. Additionally, FFA started a new email campaign on February 20, 2006 asking seven officials at The Walt Disney Company why Disney co-networks are so intent on airing Playboy porn specials on A&E, History and E!

**GOOD NEWS!** A&E and the History Channel have not aired the shows featuring Playboy for more than a year. Additionally, Disney sold their share of the Entertainment Channel to Comcast late last year. Disney appears to have washed their hands clean of television programs featuring Playboy and other porn businesses. Emails from supporters of FFA email campaigns made a difference.

## CITY OFFICIALS URGED TO STOP PORN PROMOTION AT SPEEDWAY

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the races from the luxurious Turn One Tower, get up close and personal with Playboy® Playmates during scheduled meet and greets and photo sessions, take home a souvenir Playboy® shirt and an optional complementary subscription to the world-famous magazine and more.”

Homestead-Miami Speedway is owned by the City of Homestead. The speedway is therefore owned by taxpayers.

Florida Family Association asked thousands of supporters to send emails to City of Homestead officials to encourage them to stop allowing taxpayer property to be used to sell pornography.

Florida Family Association is waiting for Homestead officials to reply to questions as to whether future races will allow Playboy promotions. Hopefully, FFA's efforts will influence city officials to prevent porn publications from being promoted on the taxpayer owned speedway in the future.

## GM PROUDLY SPONSORS “DIRT”

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progressive attitude and image, and it will sponsor media properties that support this position and that appeal to audiences who find edgy, adrenalin-inducing entertainment relevant. While we are sensitive to the environments in which our ads appear, we also believe that programming may legitimately depict controversial topics, especially if it airs outside of family viewing time periods and where viewers can vote with their channel selectors.”

Dirt is one of the most sexually explicit programs on advertiser supported television with scenes involving graphic homosexual and lesbian scenes, nudity, explicit sexual contact, high risk sexual behavior and uncensored profanity, etc.

Florida Family Association is asking thousands of supporters to send emails to Fifty Pontiac dealerships to communicate their concern regarding General Motor's to proud sponsorship of Dirt.

## CITY VOTES NO ON SEX CHANGE

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stream attitudes toward transsexuals would change Largo's image for years to come if city commissioners allowed Mr. Stanton to continue to publicly represent the city on important local, state and national issues. Mr. Stanton expected citizens to accept his sex change.

However, Largo residents overwhelmingly objected to Stanton's plan. By a 7 to 1 margin citizens' emails and phone calls did not want Steve Stanton to represent the City of Largo in his high profile city manager position.

An overflow audience of citizens watched city commissioners vote 5 to 2 on February 27th to end Steve Stanton's city manager contract.

However, homosexual and transgender groups from across America bombarded city commissioners with emails calling for them to reconsider their vote. A rehearing was scheduled for March 23rd.

Florida Family Association responded by asking thousands of supporters to send emails to encourage the City Commissioners to maintain their original vote.

The City Commission voted 5 to 2 on March 23rd to reaffirm their vote to end Mr. Stanton's contract.

**Pastor Charlie Martin**, Senior Pastor of **First Baptist Church of Indian Rocks** led the charge to bring citizens out to the Largo City Commission hearings. Pastor Martin was the driving force behind the effort to remove Steve Stanton. Pastor Martin is a blessing to the moral environment of the Tampa Bay Area and Florida.

**Bill Bunkley**, the talk show host of Drive Time on **WTBN AM 570 & 910 in Tampa Bay**, also worked hard to encourage citizens to attend the two city commission meetings. Bill devoted significant time during his show which airs from 4:00 to 5:00 PM weekdays to discuss the city manager issue.

**THANK YOU Pastor Martin and Mr. Bunkley** for your leadership in confronting this public issue. Your efforts helped prevent the City of Largo from giving their stamp of approval to the transgender lifestyle.

**WHAT WOULD OUR  
MORAL ENVIRONMENT  
BE LIKE TODAY IF  
FLORIDA FAMILY ASSOCIATION  
HAD NOT:**

**Stopped Special Rights for Homosexuals from passing** in the 1991 through 1994 Florida Legislative Sessions. No "sexual orientation" amendment to Florida's Civil Rights Act has succeeded since 1994.

**Influenced 12 MAJOR OIL COMPANIES** to prohibit the sale of pornography magazines by independent retailers who sell their brand of gasoline. The restrictions will apply to over 170,000 stores.

**Influenced OVER 3,000 COMPANIES to STOP advertising** on pornographic radio and television programs resulting in several shows being removed from the air including "Howard Stern" ABC's "Ellen" MTV's "Undressed" Comedy Centrals "The Man Show" VH1's "Girls Gone Wild Uncovered."

**Influenced over 20,000 stores to STOP selling pornographic magazines** including 7 Eleven, Albertsons, Amoco Split Second, Cumberland Farms, Kash n' Karry, Lil Champ, Racetrac, Sprint, Starvin Marvin.

**Influenced OVER FORTY cities and counties** to enact laws to restrict sexually oriented businesses or prohibit public nudity.

**PLEASE HELP  
ALL OF OUR EFFORTS  
TO CONTINUE TO BE STRONG  
BY SENDING A GIFT IN THE  
ENCLOSED ENVELOPE.**