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### WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

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You should know that some Members of the New York State Legislature are pushing hard to prevent McDonald's and certain restaurants from giving out toys to children when they receive their meals unless those meals meet certain standards.

Senate Bill 6386, sponsored by Senator Gustavo Rivera, and Assembly Bill 7662, sponsored by Assembly Member Felix Ortiz, both Hispanic and Puerto Rican, are calling for a law to dictate which restaurants may or may not distribute toys or as they call them, "incentives," to children, especially poor children in our communities, when their parents take them to McDonald's or any other restaurant to purchase a meal.

It does not make sense! It is disturbing to see these same elected officials fight tooth and nail to give a woman the right to kill an unborn baby, because according to them, it is a woman's choice to do what they want with their bodies. Gustavo and Felix have no problem in being part of the "American Holocaust" and by being pro-choice by giving a woman a right to murder an unborn baby, but they have problems and are willing to take away the right of the mother and father or child to eat whatever they want.

Don't get me wrong, I believe that obesity is a problem and that people should be more careful with what they eat, but if people want to be fat and eat hamburgers or anything they want, it is their right to allow them to eat whatever they want. I think that it is a lot better to be fat than to terminate the life of an unborn, innocent baby. Does anyone believe that people are elected into office to regulate what food and drinks moms and dads can serve their children?

Do these same elected officials who fight for any woman to have a supposed right to choose to kill her unborn baby realize that they are way out of line to try to assume authority over moms by taking away their right to choose what to give their children to eat or drink?

When pro-lifers like me state the obvious that abortion affects two lives and that the fetus is a life, and that to crush their skulls with forceps or to use saline water to be disintegrated, the pro-choice, pro-abortion politicians argue back with that old cliché "my body, my choice". I'm pretty sure that Assembly Member Ortiz and Senator Rivera would stand by their side.

How can these same two officials think they have the right to tell moms how they should feed their children or what to what restaurant they should take them?

Parents struggle to do what's best for their children, and at least so far, in this country parents are not dictated to by local elected officials about how to feed their children. If they want to cook at home, they can. If they want to go out and eat, they can.

You should know that there are important issues before us in the Legislature, and we sure don't need Senator Rivera and Assembly Member Ortiz to divert our attention by creating a Nanny State in New York and much less deny McDonald's or any other restaurant to give a free toy as an incentive. It is their right! It is their choice! And it is their money!

I am Senator Reverend Rubén Díaz and this is what you should know.