

Dear Friends:

## NEW RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS



### **Contraception Increases Breast Cancer Risk**

Oral contraceptives significantly increase women's exposure to serum estradiol and progesterone hormones, thereby increasing women's breast cancer risk, [report](#) researchers at the University of Michigan.



### **U.S. Fertility Hits New Low**

Fertility rates for women under age 30 in the United States hit an all-time low in 2016. Births to unmarried women also declined since peaking in 2007-2008, [according](#) to the National Center for Health Statistics.



### **Children's View of Fathers' Work**

Although children generally support their father's work obligations, they become less understanding if their father's work time spills into family time in the evening or on the weekends. Fathers' excessively long work hours or mental preoccupation with work hinders his closeness with his children, [report](#) researchers at the Australian National University.

## MARRIPEDIA ENTRIES RELATED TO THESE FINDINGS

- 1) ["Biology of the Abortion-Breast Cancer Link"](#)
- 2) ["Fertility and Religious Practice"](#)
- 3) ["Effects of Marriage on Financial Stability"](#)

With an eye to the child, the future of America,

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