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Gingrey praises passage of Terri Schiavo legislation

U.S. Congressman Phil Gingrey today made the following statement in support of Terri Schiavo:

“This evening, Congress acted to ensure Terri Schiavo won’t be deprived of her right to life without due process of law. I was encouraged that members from both political parties stood together in support of this important legislation. Terri’s family hasn’t given up on her, and tonight Congress showed that we won’t give up either.

“Terri is every bit as alive as you and me. She breathes on her own without life support. She responds to her mother’s voice. She can move her limbs on command. Terri can also feel pain, which makes it shocking that her husband is content to let her die a drawn-out death by dehydration and starvation. The state of Florida doesn’t let criminals or even dogs starve to death, and Terri Schiavo shouldn’t suffer this horrible end either.

“This is absolutely the just and moral thing to do. The manner in which Terri’s case has been handled to date leaves many questions unanswered, and letting a federal court hear her case will give Terri the chance we all deserve.

“I’m relieved Congress passed this important legislation tonight. I only hope we’ve done it in time to save Terri. I will keep Terri and her family in my prayers as they continue fighting for her life.”

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