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“The family is the corner stone of our society. More than any other force it shapes the attitude, the hopes, the ambitions, and the values of the child. And when the family collapses it is the children that are usually damaged. When it happens on a massive scale the community itself is crippled. So, unless we work to strengthen the family, to create conditions under which most parents will stay together, all the rest – schools, playgrounds, and public assistance, and private concern – will never be enough...” — Pres. Lyndon B. Johnson. This statement made by the 36th president of the United States was given over 40 years ago and I believe it still applies just as strongly today. Yes, Governments have a role to play but ultimately families have the undeniable right to make the final decision in the best interest of their own children.