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**FREE JUSTINA NOW!**

### **Lively to Lead Rally for Justina Pelletier in Springfield**

Springfield, MA. Dr. Scott Lively, the attorney and pastor running as an Independent candidate for Governor of Massachusetts today announced that he will lead a protest rally for Justina Pelletier and against her outrageous, court-sanctioned kidnapping by the Massachusetts Department of Children and Families (DCF). The rally will be held at the corner of State and Federal Streets in Springfield, Massachusetts, just 1 ½ blocks from the Springfield office of DCF, on Wednesday, April 2nd, from 2-5:30PM. Protesters will hold signs and distribute flyers informing the public about Justina's case and the terrible abuse she and her family have suffered at the hands of DCF. Said Lively: "As a pastor and a parent, I am appalled that the Massachusetts DCF has both the desire and the power to trample parental rights as they have done in this

case. Justina has a loving family who have provided her the finest of medical care by top-flight doctors who are ready to continue her care. But in their arrogance the officials at DCF have stepped in to rip this child from her family and keep her prisoner in Massachusetts, where her condition has dramatically deteriorated. "As a family law and constitutional law attorney, I can testify that this case is one of the most outrageous abuses of authority and disregard for the best interests of a child that I have seen in my career. "As a candidate for Governor, I promise that if elected, one of my very first acts would be to fire the individuals responsible for this travesty and to conduct a top-to-bottom shake-up of the DCF to restore respect for family values and parental rights to this out-of-control agency."

**For more information see <http://justiceforjustina.com/>**

From that site: "Justina Pelletier, a 15-year-old from West Hartford, Conn., is in the fight of her life. After being diagnosed and treated for a rare genetic disorder, Boston Children's Hospital (BCH) overruled the diagnosis and said it was "all just in her head." When Justina's parents refused to stop her treatment, BCH assumed custody of Justina and locked her up in the psych ward — against her parents' wishes. Shouldn't the parents of this young girl have the right to make decisions regarding her welfare?"

Be sure to watch the video imbedded in this site, especially the comments of Justina's Dad, starting at the 10 minute mark.

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