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The following is a KSCO commentary. Here is Kay Zwerling:

A Scottish friend from Edinburgh, Scotland, sent the following unique version of a commentary I did two years ago on the topic of political correctness. I truly believe that political correctness has been and continues to be the most compelling factor in the moral deterioration of our Country during the past 35 years. This is called “Obituary Notice”.

“Common Sense died 24/7/365 in North America’s Heart, USA. Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend by the name of Common Sense, who had been with us for many years.

No one knows for sure how old he was. His birth records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape. He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as knowing when to come in out of the rain, why the early bird gets the worm, and life is not always fair. Common Sense lived by simple, sound financial policies, like do not spend more than you earn and reliable parenting strategies, like adults – not kids, are in charge.

His health began to rapidly deteriorate when well-intentioned, but overbearing regulations were set in place, like reports of a six-year-old boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate, or teens suspended from schools for using mouthwash after lunch, and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student, only worsened his condition.

It declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer aspirin to a student; but, the schools could not inform the parents when a student became pregnant and wanted to have an abortion.

Finally, Common Sense lost the will to live as the Ten Commandments became contraband, churches became businesses, and criminals received better treatment than their victims.

Common Sense further gave up the ghost after a woman failed to realize that a steaming cup of coffee was hot, spilled a bit in her lap, claimed McDonald's did not warn her, and was offered a large settlement.

Common Sense was preceded in death by his parents Truth and Trust, his wife Discretion, his daughter Responsibility, and his son Reason. He is survived, however, by two stepchildren, U. A. Victim and Ima Whiner. Not many attended his funeral because so few realized he was gone. If you remember him, pass this on. If not, join the majority and do nothing."

For KSCO, this is Kay Zwerling.

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