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53 Democratic State Parties Issue Statement on Leaked SCOTUS Intent to Overturn *Roe v. Wade*

Last night, a draft opinion circulated indicating the Supreme Court's intent to overturn *Roe v. Wade*. **Given the additional powers this anticipated decision will yield to state and territorial legislatures, the listed State Parties, representing almost all of the states and territories of the nation, signed on to jointly offer the following statement:**

"The shockwaves of Donald Trump's presidency are neither gone nor forgotten. We are heartbroken - but not surprised - to see the draft opinion of the United States Supreme Court indicating it intends to overturn a half-century constitutional jurisprudence in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*.

"Many of us live in states where abortion access has been overturned or torn apart by extremist Republicans who have no business interfering in personal health decisions. Abortion bans are not favored by a majority of Americans, and they never will be. They are, however, supported by an extremist group of right wing primary voters and donors – and that's why the GOP continues to fight to restrict abortion access nationally and in our legislatures.

"In the wake of this decision, the Supreme Court's anticipated opinion will signal a return of power to the elected representatives of each state and territory. Therefore, it is important now, more than ever, that we protect and exercise those rights that remain intact — our First Amendment rights to associate and to vote representatives into office who will stand firm and protect their constituents from the threats and whims of conservatives.

"Across America, our State Democratic Parties will work tirelessly to recruit, train, and support Democratic candidates for state and federal office who will fight for the right to abortion. We encourage our federal legislators to codify *Roe* immediately. We cannot and will not wait."

Signed By:

- Alabama Democratic Party
- Alaska Democratic Party
- Arizona Democratic Party

- Arkansas Democratic Party
- California Democratic Party
- Colorado Democratic Party
- Connecticut Democratic Party
- DC Democratic Party
- Delaware Democratic Party
- Democrats Abroad
- Florida Democratic Party
- Georgia Democratic Party
- Guam Democratic Party
- Democratic Party of Hawai'i
- Idaho Democratic Party
- Democratic Party of Illinois
- Indiana Democratic Party
- Iowa Democratic Party
- Kansas Democratic Party
- Louisiana Democratic Party
- Maine Democratic Party
- Maryland Democratic Party
- Massachusetts Democratic Party
- Michigan Democratic Party
- Minnesota DFL Party
- Mississippi Democratic Party
- Missouri Democratic Party
- Montana Democratic Party
- Nebraska Democratic Party
- Nevada State Democratic Party
- New Hampshire Democratic Party
- New Jersey Democratic State Committee
- New Mexico Democratic Party
- New York State Democratic Party
- North Carolina Democratic Party
- North Dakota Democratic-NPL Party
- Ohio Democratic Party
- Oklahoma Democratic Party
- Democratic Party of Oregon
- Pennsylvania Democratic Party
- Rhode Island Democratic Party
- South Carolina Democratic Party
- South Dakota Democratic Party

- Tennessee Democratic Party
- Texas Democratic Party
- Utah Democratic Party
- Vermont Democratic Party
- Virginia Democratic Party
- Democratic Party of the Virgin Islands
- Washington State Democratic Party
- West Virginia Democratic Party
- Democratic Party of Wisconsin
- Wyoming Democratic Party

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