

Supreme Court Decision on Women's Health Care Clinics in Texas

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Dear Friends:

As people of faith concerned with the health and safety of all people, we are pleased the U.S. Supreme Court has finally issued its decision overturning *Whole Woman's Health v. Hellerstedt*, the case involving the restrictive and repressive law passed by the Texas Legislature designed to make it more difficult for Texas women to obtain a safe, legal, and accessible abortion.

While the decision to have an abortion is never an easy one, statutes such as the Texas law primarily penalize poor women who cannot afford to travel long distances and stay overnight to obtain a safe abortion. Surely, no one wants to see the return of back-alley and unsafe self-administered abortions, resulting in more women's deaths and permanent injuries.

We believe the Supreme Court's decision was wise and constitutional and is a victory for Texas women and for women all over the United States.

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