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One Year Without Roe

Texas Women Continue to Face Devastating Effects of Dobbs Decision

Austin, TX: *In anticipation of the one year anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization decision – which ultimately struck down Roe v. Wade on June 24th, 2022 – Annie's List released the following statement on behalf of **Executive Director Ana Ramón**.*

"This June marks one year since the *Dobbs* decision completely changed the trajectory of reproductive rights in our country. Following the *Dobbs* decision, multiple states dangerously embraced near-total abortion bans and have closely replicated extreme laws passed by our home state of Texas. For years, Texans have witnessed countless attacks on our right to bodily autonomy due to draconian legislation – including a glimpse into life post-Roe after Senate Bill 8 became effective in September of 2021.

"Right now, pregnant people are navigating hurdle after hurdle to receive the essential medical care that they deserve, doctors and healthcare professionals are working through legal minefields - some are leaving the state to practice elsewhere, and Texans, especially Texans of color, continue to face arguably the strictest abortion ban in the U.S.

"Despite overwhelming opinion that abortion care be accessible and the devastating effects abortion bans have had across the country, anti-abortion legislators remain relentless in their pursuit to strip away our autonomy. They are attacking access to birth control, enabling increased risks for intimate partner violence, and are responsible for the detrimental consequences to the lives of pregnant Texans. We must hold them accountable for their lack of leadership.

"As we reflect on the ways in which our lives have drastically changed since the overturning of *Roe v. Wade*, we'll continue to support pro-choice women leaders that will dedicate their advocacy to restoring our reproductive rights and fighting for all Texans. So long as GOP lawmakers in Texas continue to push their anti-abortion agendas, Annie's List will keep fighting for a Texas led by pro-choice, Democratic women."

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