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MCCL-backed bill to combat mail-order abortions introduced in Legislature

Contact lawmakers to urge their support

..... BY PAUL STARK

A BILL to combat the sending of abortion drugs through the mail was introduced in March in the Minnesota House and Senate. **The MCCL-backed bill, S.F. 3561/H.F. 3900, would require that chemical abortion drugs be administered in-person by the physician rather than shipped to women in the mail.**

Last year, the FDA repealed a longstanding safety protocol that required that abortion drugs be dispensed at medical facilities. As a result of the change, an abortion practitioner here in Minnesota is currently shipping the drugs to women without providing an in-person medical evaluation, which is necessary to screen for ectopic pregnancy and verify gestational age. **These "telemedicine" abortions significantly increase the health risks to women.**

The new bill, authored by Sen. Michelle Benson (R-Ham Lake) and Rep. Peggy Scott (R-Andover), would protect against dangerous mail-order abortions in Minnesota.

As you receive this newsletter, the 2022 legislative session is quickly nearing its end. **You can help this important bill advance by contacting your own state senator and representative and urging them to support it.** Contact information is listed on the back page. (Learn more about the dangers of chemical abortions in the article on page 6.)

Watch out for this false claim about pro-life lawmakers

Some individuals and groups continue to falsely claim that incumbent pro-life lawmakers have supported abortion funding by voting for omnibus spending bills (bills that fund the government). The truth is that taxpayer funding of abortion in Minnesota is required by a Court decision (*Doe v. Gomez*); it is not the result of any vote by the Legislature. **Voting against omnibus bills does nothing to stop the Court-ordered abortion funding.**

You can learn more about this false claim against pro-life legislators in an article on the MCCL blog (visit mccl.org/blog). **MCCL**

PLANNED PARENTHOOD AGAIN INCREASES TAX-FUNDED ABORTIONS TO NEW RECORD HIGH IN MINNESOTA

Total number of abortions bankrolled by taxpayers levels off in 2020

..... BY PAUL STARK

PLANNED PARENTHOOD performed 23 percent more tax-funded abortions in Minnesota in 2020, according to a report released in late March by the Minnesota Department of Human Services. Overall, taxpayers reimbursed abortion practitioners just over \$1 million for 4,410 abortions during the 2020 pandemic year.

"The pattern is clear: Planned Parenthood does more abortions year after year after year," said MCCL Executive Director Scott Fischbach. "The group exploits the availability of taxpayer Medicaid dollars to push its numbers and revenue up. **The result is that more unborn children die and more low-income women are left without the real solutions they need.** And taxpayers are forced to fund all of it."



Planned Parenthood sees large increase

The 2020 tax-funded abortion total was a marginal drop from 2019, when taxpayers funded 4,463 abortions, but still represents the second-highest figure ever and a 30 percent rise since 2013. Planned Parenthood, however, saw a large increase in 2020. It was reimbursed a record-high \$730,559 for a record-high 3,422 abortions. **The group has increased its tax-funded abortion total for nine consecutive years—a 296 percent jump since 2011.**

Minnesota law prohibited public funding of elective abortions until a 1995 Minnesota Supreme Court

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Let's make a difference this summer

BY LEO LALONDE

THE WEATHER is getting warmer, and it's time to get outside and advocate for life! Let me share some of what we at MCCL will be up to, and how you can join us and make this a lifesaving summer.

Fair outreach saves lives

County fair season is about to begin—MCCL's largest single outreach effort of the year. **All across the state, in dozens of county fairs (91, in fact), our pro-life educational booths will help inform and motivate fairgoers.** Our fetal models powerfully demonstrate the humanity of unborn children, and our brochures and fact sheets tell people what they need to know about abortion, the case for life, and the positive alternatives available for women in need.

This year, fairgoers can also get our candidate comparison flier and sign a petition to stop mail-order abortions.

You can be part of this outreach—not just by stopping by the booth, picking up materials to share, and signing the petition, but also by volunteering to staff the booth yourself. We rely on the volunteer hours of so many pro-lifers across the state each summer. Learn more about how to support our fair outreach on page 7.

Camp will equip youth

Each year, MCCL's Life Leadership Camp trains the next generation to be effective pro-life advocates and leaders. That makes it one of the most important events

we do. **Our camp returns this summer from Aug. 7-10 in central Minnesota (see page 4).**

At Life Leadership Camp, high school students will learn all about life before birth, abortion, how to defend life, how to make a difference in their schools, and a whole lot more. They will hear from expert speakers, participate in fun games and activities, and connect with other students.

To maximize the impact of this event, please spread the word in your family, church, and community. A promotional flier and registration information is available on our website at mccl.org/camp.

Election, Court ruling upcoming

The Supreme Court will soon rule in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, a decision that could determine the degree to which states can protect unborn children for years to come (see page 4). As the public conversation turns to abortion, make sure that you stay abreast of what's going on and that you know the facts.

We can keep you informed! You can follow MCCL on our website at mccl.org and on social media platforms like Facebook and Twitter. **And be sure to join our email list if you are not already on it. Just send an email to mccl@mccl.org asking to join.**

Meanwhile, the 2022 campaign is heating up. The stakes are high this fall: The race for governor will determine whether we have a governor who signs lifesaving bills into law or one who vetoes them! The whole Legislature is also up for election, as are Minnesota's eight U.S. House seats.

In the next issue of this newsletter, we will provide you with our Primary Election Voter's Guide ahead of the primary on Aug. 9. We'll also be making candidate comparison fliers available at our fair booths, on our website, and elsewhere this summer. We encourage you to take these materials and share them with other pro-lifers at church or in your community.

An exciting time

We are so grateful for all you do to partner with us. This is an exciting time for the pro-life movement. **It's a time for us to redouble our efforts and make a bigger difference for unborn children and their mothers than ever before.** Let's not waste the opportunity! **MCCL**

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Simply contact Paul at the MCCL office at pstark@mccl.org. We will email the ad directly to your newspaper or church. Please provide the publication's advertising email address when you contact us. **MCCL**

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pro-life update

BY PAUL STARK

Special election to be held to fill Hagedorn's seat in Congress

A SPECIAL ELECTION will take place Aug. 9 to fill a vacancy in Congress in Minnesota's First Congressional District, which covers most of southern Minnesota. The winner of the special election will serve out the final months of the current term and is likely to run for a full term in the election this fall.

A primary election will first be held on May 24. Twenty candidates are running in the primary for a chance to represent their party on the ballot on Aug. 9; they include 10 Republicans and eight Democrats. **A list of the candidates and their responses to MCCL's pro-life candidate questionnaire can be found on our website at mccl.org/specialelection.**

The Congressional vacancy is the result of the death in February of Rep. Jim Hagedorn, who had represented southern Minnesota in Congress since 2019. Hagedorn compiled a 100 percent pro-life voting record during his time in Washington.

"Congressman Hagedorn was a faithful ally of unborn children," said MCCL Executive Director Scott Fischbach. "He never failed to vote pro-life and wasn't afraid to speak out strongly for the rights of the unborn. He will be missed."



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2. To foster and increase protection of the right to life of mother and child.
3. To inform the public on abortion and related subjects.
4. To foster high standards of medical care in the state of Minnesota.
5. To promote and encourage assistance in the care and rearing of children with birth defects.
6. To promote enlightened care and assistance to mother and child in crisis pregnancies.
7. To cause to be published and to distribute treatises, articles, addresses, reports and other publications on any or all subjects related to those above.

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Pro-life successes in Congress

On Feb. 28, the U.S. Senate defeated a motion to proceed with the so-called "Women's Health Protection Act" (H.R. 3755). The far-reaching legislation, if

enacted, would overturn nearly all protections for unborn children nationwide and prohibit Americans from enacting such protections in the future.

The motion lost by a vote of 46 to 48. **Both Sens. Amy Klobuchar and Tina Smith, however, voted in favor of the pro-abortion measure.**

H.R. 3755 had earlier passed the U.S. House on a vote of 218-211. U.S. Reps. Angie Craig, Dean Phillips, Betty McCollum, and Ilhan Omar voted for the abortion-expanding bill, while the late Rep. Jim Hagedorn and Reps. Tom Emmer, Michelle Fischbach, and Pete Stauber voted against it.

In another pro-life victory, the Hyde Amendment has been preserved for at least another year, despite strong pro-abortion efforts to remove it, including by President Joe Biden.

The Hyde Amendment is a longstanding measure that prevents most federal taxpayer funding of abortion; estimates indicate that it has saved more than 2.5 million unborn lives.

The amendment was included in the omnibus spending bill passed by the House and Senate in March, but will have to be renewed again next year.

Oregon opens door to suicide tourism

Oregon, which was the first state to legalize assisted suicide, has announced that it will make non-residents eligible for assisted suicide. **This could make Oregon a "suicide tourism" destination where people can travel for the purpose of ending their lives.**

Previously, only residents of Oregon were eligible. In response to a lawsuit, however, the Oregon Health Authority

and the Oregon Medical Board decided to stop enforcement of the residency requirement and have asked the state legislature to make the change in law.

"This change allows for anyone traveling to Oregon to seek assisted suicide and may open the door for telehealth prescriptions of lethal drugs to residents in other states," said Laura Echevarria of National Right to Life. **"The possibility of abuse among vulnerable populations is of grave concern."**

Proponents of assisted suicide have sought to legalize the dangerous practice in Minnesota, but have so far failed to advance legislation to do so.

Jackson confirmed to Supreme Court

In early April, the U.S. Senate confirmed Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson as the next justice of the U.S. Supreme Court. She will replace Justice Stephen Breyer after the Court's term ends in late June or early July—which is after the Court issues its ruling

in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, a major abortion case (see page 4).

As a private practice attorney, Judge Jackson once represented a number of pro-abortion advocacy groups, including NARAL Pro-Choice America.

Planned Parenthood receives massive donation

Planned Parenthood North Central States, the local Planned Parenthood affiliate based in Minnesota, recently received a \$20 million donation from billionaire author MacKenzie Scott. It is the largest donation in the group's history. The donation was announced in March.

"While the abortion industry is flush with cash," said MCCL's Fischbach, "remember this: We in the pro-life movement have truth, science, justice, and compassion on our side." **MCCL**



Congressman Jim Hagedorn

Your guide to the Supreme Court's upcoming abortion decision

State court ruling provides additional obstacle in Minnesota

BY PAUL STARK



AS THIS newsletter goes to press, the U.S. Supreme Court has not yet handed down its decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, a major new abortion case that could affect abortion laws for decades to come. **The decision is widely expected sometime in June, but could come at any time.**

Here's what you need to know about the case.

The background

On Jan. 22, 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court decided in *Roe v. Wade* to eliminate laws protecting unborn children nationwide. Abortion must be legal for any reason before the point of fetal viability, the Court said, and at least for "health" reasons even after. In the Court's *Doe v. Bolton* ruling, decided on the same day, the Court defined "health" so broadly that virtually any reason would justify a late-term abortion.

In the years since, in decisions such as 1992's *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*, the Court has modified its approach and allowed for some types of modest pro-life laws (like Minnesota's Woman's Right to Know and parental

notification laws). Nevertheless, the Court has continued to rule that the Constitution includes a right to abortion.

The new case

The *Dobbs v. Jackson* case involves a Mississippi law that protects unborn children after 15 weeks—earlier than the Court has previously allowed. **The question before the Court is whether protection at this pre-viability stage is constitutionally permissible.** In *Roe* and later decisions, the Court held that it is not. The *Dobbs* case gives the Court a chance to reconsider.

How will the Court rule?

No one knows how the Court will rule. There are a number of possible outcomes.

The best-case scenario (which many Court observers do not expect) is that the Court fully overturns *Roe v. Wade* and *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*, recognizing that abortion-on-demand is not required by the Constitution. **Overturning *Roe* would not make abortion illegal nationwide (which is**

an ultimate pro-life objective), but it would allow states again to determine their own abortion policies. Many states would respond by protecting unborn children, and many lives would be saved as a result.

Another possible outcome is that the Court upholds the Mississippi law and eliminates *Roe*'s viability standard, but does not address *Roe* further or fully overturn it. The viability standard is the issue before the Court in *Dobbs*, and the Court may choose not to go beyond that.

The Court could also issue an even narrower ruling that permits states to protect unborn children before viability, but remands the *Dobbs* case back to a lower court. This possibility, like the first two, would be a significant step forward and a victory for unborn children and their mothers.

The worst-case scenario is that the Court upholds *Roe* and strikes down the Mississippi law.

What it will mean for Minnesota

However the Court rules, abortion policy in Minnesota won't immediately change. **That's because in a 1995 decision, *Doe v. Gomez*, the Minnesota Supreme Court ruled that our state Constitution includes a right to abortion.** This mistaken ruling would require abortion-on-demand in Minnesota even if the U.S. Supreme Court no longer imposes it at the national level. Like *Roe*, the *Gomez* decision must also be overturned.

The decision in *Dobbs* could have major lifesaving ramifications. **In Minnesota, however, pro-lifers still have a lot of work to do.** We must strengthen our efforts to change hearts and minds, support pregnant women, and pass protective laws. **MCCL**

Life Leadership Camp



will take place August 7-10

MCCL'S PRO-LIFE youth camp is back again this summer.

Life Leadership Camp will take place Aug. 7-10, 2022, at Camp Koronis in Paynesville, which is west of the Twin Cities in central Minnesota.

It offers four days of pro-life education (two full days and two partial days), including guest speakers and sessions covering topics relating to abortion and other right-to-life issues. It equips students to make a difference in their schools and communities. And it does so in a summer camp environment with games and fun outdoor activities.

Life Leadership Camp (originally called Camp Joshua) began in 2015 and has taken place each summer since (with the exception of 2020, when it was canceled because of pandemic restrictions). **The camp is open to high school students who will be entering grades 9-12 or who will be college freshmen in the coming fall.** Cost to attend is \$100 per student, which includes meals, accommodations, materials, and a T-shirt; scholarships may also be available.

Register for camp today

We encourage students to register for this inspiring and informative pro-life event—and we encourage parents, church leaders, and others to share information about Life Leadership Camp with the students in their life.

You can find more information and register today at mccl.org/camp, where a promotional poster is also available. **MCCL**



STUDENT DAY RETURNS TO TRAIN YOUNG PEOPLE, LOBBY LAWMAKERS

AFTER IT was canceled last year because of the pandemic, MCCL's Student Day at the Capitol returned in March on two different days. Students in grades 7-12 learned about abortion, prenatal development, and the legislative process, and heard from and met with lawmakers at the Capitol in St. Paul.

"It [was] extremely informative and a great learning opportunity to help you understand what exactly you are standing for and how you can help the movement," wrote one student afterward.

Lobbying for life

When meeting with lawmakers, students lobbied in support of a new bill to stop mail-order chemical abortions (see page 1). Students toured the Capitol, and many sat in on a Senate session. During the March 23 event, students were also able to watch a committee hearing and go onto the House floor.

"It was a neat experience to see the [lawmakers] in action," said one student. **Wrote another: "I feel like I now know more about being pro-life and about the government in general."** **MCCL**

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decision, *Doe v. Gomez*, required such funding through Minnesota's Medicaid program. Since then, taxpayers have bankrolled close to 100,000 abortions at a cost of about \$29 million. A large body of research, including a literature review by the abortion-industry-aligned Guttmacher Institute, shows that public funding of abortion leads to significantly more overall abortions than would otherwise take place.

Court ruling must be overturned

"Doe v. Gomez didn't just impose abortion funding in Minnesota," said Fischbach. "It also claimed that the state Constitution requires abortion-on-demand, a ruling that would remain in force even if the U.S. Supreme Court overturns *Roe v. Wade*. **For the sake of women, children, and taxpayers, it's long past time for this erroneous and disastrous decision to be overturned.**"

MCCL has frequently backed legislation to stop taxpayer funding of abortion in Minnesota. Such legislation passed through the Legislature in 2011 and 2017, but then-Gov. Mark Dayton vetoed both bills. **MCCL**

Minnesotans among winners of national pro-life essay contest

TWO MINNESOTA students were among the winners of the 2022 National Right to Life Pro-Life Essay Contest. Students wrote essays answering the question: "Why are you pro-life?"

Helen Fischer, a 10th grader from New Ulm, won second place in the senior contest. **"Life is given by God, accepted and nurtured by our parents, and then gifted to us,"** she wrote. "We who have the opportunity to receive this precious gift should be honored to fight for and defend those who are too vulnerable to fight for themselves."

Josephine Hubler, an 8th grader from Coon Rapids, finished in third place in the junior contest. **"I am pro-life because I believe that every human person, no matter their race, gender, religion, or age, deserves to live,"** she explained. "Pregnant women have the chance to bring miracles into this world and all living miracles deserve their place on earth."

Congratulations to both Helen and Josephine!

Next year's contest

Students in grades 7-12 who wish to participate in the 2023 Pro-Life Essay Contest should submit essays between December 20, 2022, and January 21, 2023.

More information is available online at nrlc.org. **MCCL**



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Chemical abortions are increasing—and pose risks to both women and children

A version of this article is also available as a flier; find it at mccl.org or contact MCCL to receive copies.

IN 2000, the mifepristone abortion drug was approved for use in the United States. **Since then, chemical abortions have become more and more common—and they're now expanding in new ways that threaten more unborn children as well as their mothers.**

Here's what you need to know.

What are chemical abortions?

Chemical abortion, also called "medication" abortion, is a non-surgical, drug-induced method of abortion used during the first 10 weeks of pregnancy.

It is typically a two-drug process. The first drug, mifepristone (Mifeprex or RU486), blocks the hormone progesterone. **This weakens the uterine lining and prevents the unborn child from receiving nutrients, causing her death.** The second drug, misoprostol, is taken within the next two days. It induces cramping and uterine contractions that expel the remains of the unborn child.

What are the risks?

Chemical abortion, when "successful," ends the life of an unborn child. But it also poses real risks to the health of the pregnant woman.

Complications include hemorrhage, infection, rupture of undiagnosed ectopic pregnancy, and incomplete abortion (often requiring surgical follow-up) and have even led to death. **A large Finnish study found that chemical abortions led to "adverse events" in 20 percent of cases—almost four times the rate of immediate complications as surgical abortions.**

In the U.S., through June 2021, more than 4,200 adverse events linked to mifepristone were reported to the Food and Drug Administration. Of these, 26 women died; 1,045 other women were hospitalized; 603 women bled so much that they required transfusions; and 413 women developed infections. Given weak reporting requirements, many complications likely go unreported.

Are chemical abortions increasing?

In 2020, 4,964 chemical abortions took place in Minnesota, according to the Department of Health. That's a 114 percent jump since 2009. **Chemical abortions now account for 55**

percent of total abortions in the state—up from 19 percent in 2009.

The abortion industry sees chemical abortion as a cost-effective way of expanding abortion to more and more regions. Planned Parenthood now offers chemical abortions at three of its clinics in Minnesota, in addition to its St. Paul headquarters (where both surgical and chemical abortions are performed).

What are the dangers of mail-order abortions?

In 2021, the Biden administration's FDA—at the urging of the abortion industry—ended a safety rule that had said mifepristone could only be dispensed in-person at medical facilities. This change allows abortion practitioners to send

chemical abortions to women through the mail. (Previously, some online abortion providers had defied the safety requirement to do this, and Planned Parenthood and others have participated in a pilot study to test the feasibility of remote abortions.)

These do-it-yourself or "telemedicine" abortions increase the health risks because women receive no in-person medical examination beforehand.

An examination is important

in order to verify gestational age (complications are more likely later in pregnancy) and check for the possibility of a life-threatening ectopic pregnancy (which otherwise could go undiagnosed because its symptoms are similar to the side effects of a chemical abortion). In a 2021 study of mail-order abortions, 6 percent of patients visited an emergency room or urgent care center because of the abortion. Such abortions also make it much harder to detect and prevent coercion—when a woman is pressured or coerced by others, such as a partner or abuser, to undergo abortion.

As a result of the new policy, an abortion practitioner in Minnesota is now sending abortion drugs to Minnesotans (especially those in rural areas) through the mail—despite the risks to women's health.

What is abortion pill reversal?

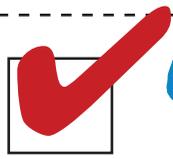
After a woman takes the first drug—but before she takes the second—there is a window of time (as much as 72 hours) during which reversing the effects of the mifepristone may be possible. This is called abortion pill reversal (APR).

In an APR, a woman takes the pregnancy hormone progesterone, counteracting the effects of the mifepristone; the same treatment has long been used to prevent miscarriages. A 2018 peer-reviewed study found that APR has an effectiveness rate of 64-68 percent. **According to the Abortion Pill Rescue Network, more than 3,000 unborn lives have been saved by APR.**

More information about APR is available by calling 877-558-0333 or visiting AbortionPillReversal.com. **MCCL**



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MCCL county fair booths offer people of all ages an opportunity to learn about fetal development, take free information, and talk with a volunteer. **Thousands of people sign our pro-life petition** and discover how to help save lives by joining MCCL.

Dedicated volunteers staff booths

It takes enormous coordination, finances, and dedication to have a presence at nearly every county fair each summer. **We are grateful to all of our volunteers, MCCL chapters, and county fair**

coordinators who keep our booths stocked, staffed, and ready for visitors. MCCL is the only pro-life group in the state with the power to undertake such a project. Members make it happen.

Strengthen our pro-life outreach

Hosting 91 booths requires significant financial resources. **Your crucial gift will help offset the costs of producing and shipping** MCCL materials, fetal models, and displays.

When you support fair booths, you help advance MCCL's mission to effectively educate the public and engage pro-life citizens in our lifesaving work. You help save lives. Contributions are needed today!

Alternatively, you may donate securely online with a credit card at mccl.org/ donate or phone the MCCL state office at 612-825-6831 with your pledge today.

THREE OPTIONS FOR JOINING OUR COUNTY FAIR OUTREACH

SINCE 1971, MCCL's county fair booths have shared the pro-life message all across the state of Minnesota. This year, we will have booths at 91 different fairs! This is by far our biggest educational outreach of the year.

Millions of people visit Minnesota county fairs each year. **MCCL's booths—which generally feature educational literature, fetal models, videos, and more—are an effective way to inform people about fetal development and abortion and to motivate them to help protect life.** This year, visitors can sign a petition to stop mail-order abortions and receive a candidate comparison flier showing where the candidates stand on life.

Visit, donate, or volunteer

There are three ways you can help with this crucial project. **First, you can visit and thank the MCCL booth volunteers at your local county fair.** Be sure to pick up some pro-life materials while you are there, and sign the pro-life petition.



Second, you can donate to help offset the costs of this statewide outreach. Just use the coupon above to send in your gift. **Our outreach only happens with the financial support of pro-lifers like you!**

Third, and best of all, you can volunteer for a shift staffing the booth at your local fair. **Volunteering for a three or four hour shift is an enjoyable and rewarding experience—and not difficult.** Most important is your friendly, outgoing demeanor. Encourage fairgoers to sign the petition and to take a candidate comparison flier.

Don't worry about having answers to people's questions. If they ask questions you cannot answer, you can offer them an appropriate brochure or simply refer them to the MCCL website or state office.

Support our outreach

If interested in volunteering for our county fair outreach, contact the MCCL state office at 612-825-6831 or mccl@mccl.org. And remember—you can volunteer to staff MCCL's State Fair booth, too, at the end of the summer. Thank you! **MCCL**



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Encourage high school students to register for MCCL's Life Leadership Camp from Aug. 7-10 (see page 4).

Contact your state lawmakers and urge them to support legislation to stop mail-order abortions (see page 1).

Donate to support MCCL's county fair outreach this summer (see page 7 or visit mccl.org/donate).

Connect with MCCL at mccl.org and on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram to stay up-to-date with the latest pro-life news (see page 2).

Pray for the U.S. Supreme Court as it prepares to rule in *Dobbs v. Jackson* (see page 4).

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