## **North Carolina NOW**

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"We'll see Roe vs. Wade consigned to the ash heap of history where it belongs."
--Vice President Mike Pence, on July 28, 2016

Dear Friend:

With the confirmation of Judge Kavanaugh to the U.S. Supreme Court, there is more danger than ever before that *Roe v. Wade* could be overturned or its application severely restricted. **If federal protection for abortion rights is denied or diminished, the battle to defend women's reproductive rights will shift to the states.** 

Here in North Carolina, the forces for abortion rights have been historically strong, but in this political climate our voices must grow stronger and our support for a woman's right to choose must become more visible. We are making significant progress. Anti-abortion forces no longer enjoy free reign to implement their extreme agenda here. Prochoice candidates prevailed in key mid-term legislative and judicial elections, and we no longer have a governor who will rubber-stamp anti-choice legislation. To maintain and expand the gains we have made we must continue to show strong grassroots support for reproductive rights in our state.

You can raise your voice by supporting North Carolina NOW's signature ad that will mark the anniversary of the *Roe v. Wade* decision with **a strong statement upholding women's reproductive rights**. The two-page ad will run in the centerfold of the 23 January 2019 edition of the *Indy Week*, a weekly newspaper serving the Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill area. The exact wording of the ad will read:

"We, the undersigned, support women's right to safe, legal and accessible birth control and abortion. We condemn acts of violence and intimidation directed at women and their health care providers. We agree that these rights extend to all women regardless of economic status and, as taxpayers, affirm our support of public funding for family planning services and funding for abortions for indigent women."

We guarantee that this message will reach every North Carolina legislator because North Carolina NOW volunteers will deliver a copy of the ad to every member of the General Assembly shortly after the legislative session begins in January. Please email <a href="mailto:president@raleighnow.org">president@raleighnow.org</a> if you want to help.

A signature ad has huge impact because it demonstrates broad popular support for an issue. At the same time a signature ad tells those who want to undermine reproductive rights that there is a strong and organized opposition to their position. We urge you to support this statement by adding your name or by simply making a contribution if you do not want your name printed in the ad.

<u>Please fill out and return the form on the back of this letter along with your contribution today.</u> Or use this link to sign up online: <a href="https://northcarolinanow.wordpress.com/pro-choice-signature-ad/">https://northcarolinanow.wordpress.com/pro-choice-signature-ad/</a>. If you do not want your name to appear in the ad, please indicate your wish on the form. Please be as generous as you can. We deeply appreciate your support.

For NC NOW.

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Mail by 12 January 2019 to insure that your name is printed in the ad.

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