

U.S. Rep. Kind: Votes to protect Americans' constitutional rights

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Washington, DC - This week, **Rep. Ron Kind** voted to codify essential rights for Americans by advancing the *Respect for Marriage Act* and the *Right to Contraception Act*.

“When the Supreme Court overturned *Roe v. Wade*, it put the right to privacy on shaky ground and called into question past rulings affecting marriage equality and access to contraception,” said **Rep. Ron Kind**. “That’s why this week, I voted to protect these essential freedoms and advance both the *Respect for Marriage Act* and the *Right to Contraception Act*. Every Wisconsinite should be able to make personal decisions about their bodies, lives, and futures without interference from politicians.”

The *Respect for Marriage Act* would:

- Codify the settled legal precedents of *Obergefell v. Hodges* and *Loving v. Virginia* to ensure marriage equality for same-sex and interracial couples is codified under federal law.
- Provide legal protections to ensure those acting under state law are unable to discriminate against an out-of-state marriage based on the sex, race, ethnicity, or national origin of the individuals in the marriage.

The *Right to Contraception Act* would:

- Create a statutory right for people to obtain contraceptives and engage in contraception.
- Establish a corresponding right for health care providers to provide

contraceptives and information related to contraception.