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U.S. Supreme Court Overturns *Roe v. Wade*

Madison –The U.S. Supreme Court voted Friday to overturn *Roe v. Wade*, the 1973 decision that legalized abortion. By a 6-3 vote in the case of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization*, the Court returned abortion policy to the states. State Representative Chuck Wichgers (R-Muskego) issued the following statement:

“Today, the U. S. Supreme Court corrected a judicial ruling that has hung darkly over our nation for far too long. It is the job of government to protect life. We are a nation founded on the inalienable right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. When the most basic right to life is denied to innocent, unborn babies, it is not long before all human life is degraded. We have seen this happen in our country even as women made incredible gains in equal rights.

“Abortion does not empower women, it trades one set of problems for another. There are tremendous resources available to women facing unplanned pregnancies; not only basic things like diapers, formula, and clothing, but adoption support, housing options, counseling, and education. Now more than ever, Wisconsinites will come alongside those faced with unplanned pregnancies instead of offering a false solution like killing an unborn child.

“Writing for the majority, Justice Samuel Alito said, ‘*Roe* was egregiously wrong from the start. Its reasoning was exceptionally weak, and the decision has had damaging consequences. And far from bringing about a national settlement of the abortion issue, *Roe* and *Casey* have enflamed debate and deepened division.’

“Since *Roe v. Wade* was decided, over 62 million unborn babies in America lost their lives to someone else’s ‘choice.’ According to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, there have been 585,624 abortions in our state since 1974. That is 34 children who died by abortion every single day, 365 days a year, for the past 47 years. These are heartbreaking numbers. Today is an historic day in America.”

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The 83rd Assembly District includes: Muskego, Waterford, Big Bend, Vernon, Village of Waukesha, East Troy, Franklin, and Hales Corners.