ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION 1

VOTE YES ON PROP 1.

It's simple: Proposition 1 will enshrine the fundamental right to an abortion and a fundamental right to contraceptives in the California State Constitution.

For nearly 50 years, Americans have relied on the legal principle set by Roe v. Wade that allowed individuals to make their own reproductive health decisions privately. Access to abortion is no longer federally protected and is under attack across the country.

YES ON PROP 1 PROTECTS THE RIGHT TO REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM.

Prop 1 amends the California State Constitution to explicitly prohibit interference with individual choices on reproductive health. It ensures a fundamental right to choose to have an abortion and protects access to contraceptives. These rights are consistent with existing state constitutional rights to privacy and equal protection under the law.

YES ON PROP 1 WILL ENSURE THE CHOICE TO SEEK COMPREHENSIVE, REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE, INCLUDING ABORTION, WILL ALWAYS BE PROTECTED IN CALIFORNIA.

 Millions in other states have already lost their right to an abortion. In those states, patients could be sent to prison for seeking abortions even in the case of miscarriages. And most will be prevented from having abortions even in cases of rape or incest. Their health care providers could also be held criminally liable.

DOCTORS, NURSES AND HEALTH PROVIDERS ALL AGREE.
Yes on Prop 1 is necessary to keep reproductive medical decisions where they belong - with individuals and their health care providers, based on scientific facts, not political agendas.

Prop 1 will also protect how a person decides to use contraceptives and establishes guardrails that allow a person to make the choice themselves on how to use or to refuse contraceptives, based on their individual needs.

WE CANNOT - AND MUST NOT - GO BACKWARDS.

Before 1973, women needing essential reproductive health care were often forced to travel long distances or made to seek illegal care, even in the most extreme cases.

Children growing up today should not have fewer rights than their grandparents. But unless we pass Prop 1, our rights in California could be at risk.

Access to affordable, comprehensive reproductive health care, including abortion, allows people to plan their lives and achieve their dreams. Yes on Prop 1 protects access to the care that will give individuals and families the freedom to make those choices.

The California Medical Association, Planned Parenthood Affiliates of California, and the League of Women Voters of California support Prop 1 because no matter who or what political party controls the government, a person’s right to an abortion or contraceptives should be protected in California.

We must lead the way to ensure that those who need access to care can get it in California.
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