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SCOTUS Ends Disastrous Roe Precedent; Gives Power Back to States

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – The U.S. Supreme Court overturned both *Roe v. Wade* and *Planned Parenthood v. Casey* today, ruling that there is no constitutional right to abortion and returning to the states the authority over the treatment of those most vulnerable.

<u>CLS</u> <u>previously</u> <u>submitted a brief</u> in this case, <u>Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health</u>, and today commends the decision of the High Court to return to the people and their elected representatives the power to legislate life policies.

This is a momentous day for life in America. *Roe* was horrible judicial policy – overreaching and overtly political. Overturning this law is great step forward for the American judicial system. The decision is also a great opportunity for America to move forward and for the people to truly decide such policies, instead of the judiciary.

Often in the past 50 years, the debate surrounding *Roe* has been hijacked by political opportunists. In fact, few jurists actually debate the questionable decision-making and circumstances surrounding *Roe*. CLS understands that the issues of life-affirming policies have become very contentious in America. We understand this because we know how important CLS' faith-based position affirming life is to us.

CLS looks forward to the discussion that will follow once tensions recede. CLS wholeheartedly believes that conversations need to be had about life-policy in order to protect the life of *all individuals*. CLS welcomes all who care and value life to demonstrate that life is valuable at all stages no matter one's life circumstances or ideology. This discussion has been clouded by politics and opportunism for far too long.

CLS believes each and every person has dignity in the sight of God. It is our hope and prayer that those who claim Christ will show in word and deed that all people are worthy and loved by God in the days ahead.

CLS' Executive Director David Nammo shared, "Today is a great day for life, a day for which many have fought for far too long. The *Roe* decision has long been regarded as overreaching and political. Today is a day to start anew. We encourage every person to value life today – all life – including the lives of those that disagree with you. While today is emotional for many, we believe good is ahead."