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**STONEWALL DALLAS CONDEMNS DRAFT OF A  
LEAKED SCOTUS OPINION OVERTURNING ROE AND  
CASEY**



**DALLAS, TX (May 4, 2022)** — This week it was reported that a leaked draft majority opinion from Associate Justice Samuel Alito indicates The United States Supreme Court intends to overturn Roe v. Wade and Planned Parenthood v. Casey. These cases represent the foundation for protecting a person’s right to access safe and legal reproductive health care, including abortions. Stonewall Democrats of Dallas condemns this leaked opinion from the Court in the strongest terms, as it portends reversal of nearly five decades of the Court’s legal precedent which has protected individuals’ right to make their own decisions about their bodies and health.

“You could feel this building as Republicans have undertaken a multiple-decades-long approach to tearing down Roe and Casey at the state and federal level,” said Todd Hill, President of the Stonewall Democrats of Dallas. “The reality we feared has now arrived, and it should be the loudest possible wakeup call to every person and community that cares about health care and equal rights. This opinion sets the precedent for overturning civil rights for marginalized populations like the LGBTQ+ community. The best remedy for us now is to elect Democrats up and down the ballot in November.”

Stonewall Democrats of Dallas calls on the United States Senate to pass the Women’s Health Protection Act. Should passing the act require ending the Jim Crow-era senate filibuster, we support eliminating the filibuster as a means to codify protecting the right for individuals to access abortion care in the United States. We also urge fellow Democrats and allies to never forget how important it is to elect leaders with the authority to appoint judges that align with policy largely supported by the American people as well as our core values as a party in federal and state elections. Finally, this draft opinion by Justice Alito is a loud warning for the LGBTQ+ community and our allies that Obergefell v. Hodges or same-sex marriage is at great risk too. Now is the time to ask yourself what more you can do to preserve democracy, because it is at stake in November.

*Founded in 1996 by local activists, membership of Stonewall Democrats of Dallas is over three hundred strong, including former and current elected officials. We are one of the largest political organizations in Dallas County, and one of the largest chapters of Stonewall Democrats in the United States.*

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