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Statement from Representatives Shawna Bolick and Walt Blackman on Landmark SCOTUS Decision Overturning Roe v. Wade

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – State Representatives Shawna LM Bolick and Walt Blackman applauded today’s landmark [decision](#) at the U.S. Supreme Court (SCOTUS) in Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization (JWHO), which overturns Roe v. Wade and returns to the states the right to empower mothers and protect the life of unborn children.

“As state legislators, we support protecting all lives, especially our most vulnerable. We will continue to advocate for families and promote life. Now that Roe has been overturned, decisions about abortion policy become a states’ rights issue.”

In 2021, Representative Bolick co-signed an [amicus brief](#) along with dozens of other pro-life women legislators from across the country in support of Dobbs v. JWHO, protecting vulnerable and innocent life with exceptions for medical emergencies or severe fetal abnormalities.

Last December, the Supreme Court heard this historic case challenging Mississippi’s 15-week abortion ban. Mississippi’s state’s Attorney General Lynn Fitch asked the Court to overrule its 1973 decision in Roe v. Wade altogether specifically identifying the “state’s interest in protecting the life of the unborn.”

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