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Statement from Brandon Hill, Comprehensive Health of Planned Parenthood Great Plains President and CEO and Mary M. Kogut, Reproductive Health Services of Planned Parenthood of the St. Louis Region President and CEO:

"It is extremely troubling that the Court would allow a regulation, that it found 'has virtually no benefit,' to deny women access to safe, legal abortion. Even though the Court found that complications from medication abortion are 'rare,' and 'strongly suspect[ed] that this requirement has been imposed specifically because DHSS is aware that it is difficult for abortion providers to comply with it, and simply constitutes a backdoor effort to require admitting privileges in an attempt to avoid (or ignore) *Hellerstedt*,' the Court still has declined to stop this senseless regulation.

"Politicians and state regulators, ignoring medical evidence, continue to impose arbitrary restrictions that harm the women they purportedly serve. As was the case with the medically unnecessary and burdensome regulations that the U.S. Supreme Court struck down in *Whole Woman's Health v. Hellerstedt*, we are confident this unnecessary regulation will ultimately be overturned. We will continue to fight for justice and the right for all Missourians to access the comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care they choose."

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