



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

June 24, 2022

Contact: Ingrid M. Duran - press@poderpac.com

PODER PAC statement on the The Supreme Court's decision in Dobbs v. Jackson that has overturned Roe v. Wade, eliminating the federal constitutional right to abortion

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, The U.S. Supreme Court has overturned Roe v. Wade, eliminating the Federal constitutional right to abortion—a right women have held for nearly 50 years. PODER PAC, the only national political action committee solely dedicated to electing Pro-Choice Democratic Latinas to Congress, made the following statement:

“There are no words to describe the outrage, the hurt and the dire implications for Latinas of what the Supreme Court did today.” The Court effectively removed power to control our own bodies, our lives, and personal medical decisions—and handing it to politicians. Make no mistake — this decision goes far beyond abortion. This destructive ruling is about who has power over you, who has the authority to make decisions for you, and who can control your future. Our rights are no longer safe.

This decision goes against the will of the people: 80% of Americans believe that abortion should be legal. This will have significant implications for the midterms, as voters will now be even more motivated to vote for leaders who will boldly fight to protect abortion access and vote against those who want to control our bodies and lives.

Abortion bans disproportionately harm Black, Latino, Indigenous, LGBTQ, rural and other people of color because of this country's legacy of racism and discrimination.

Roe has never been enough. Barriers to accessing abortion and other health care services have always existed — like finding childcare, taking time off of work, and navigating the costs of transportation and lodging associated with traveling hundreds or even thousands of miles.

“Our mission to elect pro-choice Democratic Latinas to Congress has never been more important. We will not be deterred, and we won’t back down. We will continue to fight to ensure pro-choice Latina Democrats are elected to Congress.”

###

Founded in 2008, PODER PAC is the only national political action committee solely dedicated to electing Pro-Choice Democratic Latinas to Congress. An organization by Latinas and for Latinas, PODER PAC works to recruit, support, and connect Pro-Choice Democratic Latinas running for Congress. Since our founding, PODER PAC has supported over 60 candidates and has supported 91% of Latinas currently in the Congressional Hispanic Caucus.