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POWER TO DECIDE HAILS FEDERAL COURT DECISION TEMPORARILY BARRING ENFORCEMENT OF HARMFUL ABORTION RESTRICTION

(Washington, D.C.) — Yesterday, a federal district judge granted a temporary injunction barring enforcement of Texas Senate Bill 8, a harmful abortion law that bans abortion care after six weeks of pregnancy. The law also allows any person to sue anyone that helps a patient access abortion care in Texas after six weeks of pregnancy.

Finally, the federal district court judge denied the state’s request to stay the injunction pending its appeal to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. For now, the injunction against SB 8 will remain in effect.

In response, Dr. Raegan McDonald-Mosley, CEO, Power to Decide, issued the following statement:

“We are grateful that—at least for now—the Constitutional right of Texans seeking abortion care is protected against the most severe abortion care restriction since *Roe* was decided.

“For a month, SB8 has wreaked havoc in people’s lives, unnecessarily placing their physical and emotional well-being at risk and depriving them of their ability to live life on their own terms.

“This law requiring people to leave the state and incur the costs of traveling hundreds of miles to access a basic health care need, was unjust and cruel. Further, the impact of this law has been levied most heavily upon those living paycheck to paycheck, people of color and those from rural areas.

“While we applaud the court’s decision, we also understand that this fight is far from over. We are committed to ensuring all people—regardless of who they are and where they live—can access the reproductive health services they need and deserve.”

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