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ALBANY, NEW YORK 12247



January 22, 2013

Honorable Dean Skelos
Majority Coalition Temporary President
909 Legislative Office Building
Albany, New York 12247

Honorable Jeffrey Klein
Majority Coalition Temporary President
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Albany, New York 12247

Dear Senator Skelos and Senator Klein,

As you may or may not be aware the Majority Coalition has 'held' a resolution honoring the 40th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade which is being co-sponsored by 21 Senators. This rejection or 'hold' for consideration comes with no explanation as to the rationale for the denial.

Attached you will find a copy of the resolution recognizing the court decision which was the turning point nationwide guaranteeing women a 'choice' in deciding their reproductive health.

The Temporary President of the Senate, a position which you share, has the authority to move resolutions to the calendar for adoption or deny their consideration by the Senate. This power results in thousands of resolutions being adopted annually.

Unfortunately this resolution has met with the similar fate of other resolutions recognizing women's legal reproductive rights. The resolution conforms directly to the rules of the Senate as it does not urge the alteration of the laws of the state, honor any elected officials or support the positions of a political party.

The Assembly is adopting a similar resolution honoring the 40th anniversary of Roe v. Wade this week.

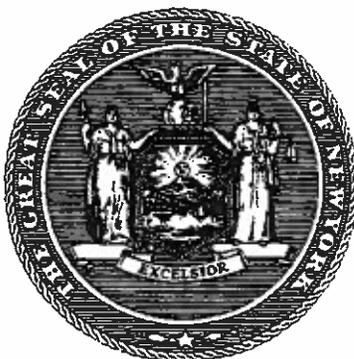
We look forward to learning this resolution has been moved to the calendar for adoption this Thursday.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Liz".

Liz Krueger

STATE OF NEW YORK



The Legislature

In Senate

In Assembly

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 40th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade

Introduced by

Sen. Andrew Stewart-Cousins
Liz Kruger

The Senators whose names are circled below wish to join me in the sponsorship of this resolution:

- s20 Adams
- s15 Addabbo
- s11 Avella
- s40 Ball
- s42 Bonacic
- s04 Boyle
- s44 Breslin
- s38 Carlucci
- s50 DeFrancisco
- s32 Diaz
- s18 Dilan
- s31 Espallat
- s49 Farley
- s17 Felder
- s02 Flanagan
- s08 Fuschillo
- s59 Gallivan
- s12 Gianaris
- s22 Golden
- s47 Griffo
- s60 Grisanti
- s06 Hannon
- s36 Hassell-Thompson
- s27 Hoylman
- s63 Kennedy
- s34 Klein
- s28 Krueger
- s24 Lanza
- s39 Larkin
- s37 Latimer
- s01 LaValle
- s52 Libovs
- s45 Little
- s05 Marcellino
- s43 Marchione
- s07 Martins
- s62 Maziarz
- s25 Montgomery
- s54 Nozzolio
- s55 O'Brien
- s58 O'Mara
- s21 Parker
- s13 Peralta
- s30 Perkins
- s61 Ranzenhofer
- s48 Ritchie
- s33 Rivera
- s56 Robach
- s19 Sampson
- s10 Sanders
- s23 Savino
- s29 Serrano
- s51 Seward
- s09 Skelos
- s14 Smith
- s26 Squadron
- s16 Stavisky
- s35 Stewart-Cousins
- s53 Valesky
- s57 Young
- s03 Zeldin
- s41 Zepson
- s46

Introduced by

M. of A. _____

The Members of the Assembly whose names are circled below wish to join me in the sponsorship of this resolution:

- a049 Abbate
- a092 Abinanti
- a084 Arroyo
- a035 Aubry
- a120 Barclay
- a106 Barrett
- a060 Barron
- a082 Benedetto
- a117 Blankenbush
- a062 Borelli
- a055 Boyland
- a026 Braunstein
- a044 Brennan
- a119 Brindisi
- a138 Bronson
- a046 Brook-Krasny
- a093 Buchwald
- a118 Butler
- a103 Cahill
- a043 Camara
- a086 Castro
- a145 Ceretto
- a033 Clark
- a047 Colton
- a032 Cook
- a144 Corwin
- a085 Crespo
- a122 Crouch
- a021 Curran
- a063 Cusick
- a045 Cymbrowitz
- a034 DenDekker
- a081 Dinowitz
- a147 DiPietro
- a115 Duprey
- a004 Englebright
- a054 Espinal
- a109 Fahy
- a071 Farrell
- a126 Finch
- a008 Fitzpatrick
- a124 Friend
- a143 Gabryszak
- a095 Galef
- a137 Gantt
- a007 Garbarino
- a077 Gibson
- a148 Giglio
- a080 Gjonaj
- a066 Glick
- a023 Goldfeder
- a150 Goodell
- a075 Gottfried
- a005 Graf
- a100 Gunther
- a139 Hawley
- a083 Heastie
- a003 Hennessey
- a028 Hevesi
- a048 Hikind
- a018 Hooper
- a042 Jacobs
- a097 Jaffee
- a135 Johns
- a113 Jordan
- a094 Katz
- a074 Kavanagh
- a142 Kearns
- a076 Kellner
- a040 Kim
- a131 Kolb
- a105 Lalor
- a013 Lavine
- a050 Lentol
- a125 Lifton
- a102 Lopez, P.
- a053 Lopez, V.
- a002 Losquadro
- a123 Lupardo
- a010 Lupinacci
- a121 Magee
- a129 Magnarelli
- a059 Maisel
- a064 Malliotakis
- a030 Markey
- a090 Mayer
- a108 McDonald
- a014 McDonough
- a017 McKeivitt
- a107 McLaughlin
- a038 Miller
- a052 Millman
- a015 Montesano
- a136 Morelle
- a057 Mosley
- a039 Moya
- a133 Nojaj
- a037 Nolan
- a130 Oaks
- a069 O'Donnell
- a051 Ortiz
- a091 Otis
- a132 Palmesano
- a088 Paulin
- a141 Peoples-Stokes
- a058 Perry
- a089 Pretlow
- a073 Quart
- a019 Ra
- a098 Rabbitt
- a012 Raia
- a006 Ramos
- a134 Reilich
- a078 Rivera
- a128 Roberts
- a056 Robinson
- a068 Rodriguez
- a072 Rosa
- a067 Rosenthal
- a025 Rozig
- a116 Russell
- a149 Ryan
- a009 Saladino
- a111 Santabarbara
- a029 Scarborough
- a016 Schimel
- a140 Schimminger
- a087 Sepulveda
- a065 Silver
- a027 Simanowitz
- a036 Simotas
- a104 Skartados
- a099 Skoufis
- a022 Solages
- a114 Stec
- a110 Steck
- a079 Stevenson
- a127 Stirpe
- a011 Sweeney
- a112 Tedisco
- a101 Tenney
- a001 Thiele
- a061 Titone
- a031 Titus
- a146 Walter
- a041 Weinstein
- a020 Weisenberg
- a024 Weprin
- a070 Wright
- a096 Zebrowski

Andrew Stewart-Cousins
Senate introducer's signature
Liz Kruger

Assembly introducer's signature

INTRODUCTION OF ALL RESOLUTIONS

To introduce this resolution:

Sign one copy, circle co-sponsors and hand it up at the desk of the house with six other completed and signed copies

If the resolution is to be offered in the other house:

Sign the remaining copy and give that to the sponsoring member of the other house together with six other completed and signed copies

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WHEREAS, On January 22, 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court decision in Roe v. Wade confirmed that the Constitution protects every woman's ability to make her own personal medical decisions; and

WHEREAS, The decision in Roe v. Wade ensures that abortion remains a safe and legal procedure for a woman to consider, if and when she needs it; and

WHEREAS, In 1970, New York was one of the first states in the nation to legalize safe abortion, part of the state's long-standing tradition of protecting and advancing access to comprehensive reproductive health care; and

WHEREAS, It is a public health goal of the State of New York to enhance the health of all citizens, including women of all ages, and to strengthen individuals and families by encouraging and promoting access to comprehensive family planning services, and pregnancies which are planned and healthy; and

WHEREAS, Abortion is a deeply personal and often complex decision for a woman and, therefore, decisions about whether to choose adoption, end a pregnancy, or raise a child must be left to a woman, her family, and her faith, with the counsel of her health care provider; and

WHEREAS, A majority of Americans support access to safe and legal abortion and oppose efforts to overturn Roe v. Wade; and

WHEREAS, Violence against providers and restrictions to access to abortion endanger the lives of women and have continued to erode access to abortion; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 40th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade, recognizing the critical importance of continued access to safe and legal abortion.

RESOLEG

SHORT TITLE: Commemorating the 40th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade

BLURB: Roe v. Wade-40th Ann.