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A Sorrowful Day

Dear Pastor,

When *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization* brought the issue of abortion back to the states on June 24, 2022, Wisconsin reverted to its pre-*Roe* abortion ban. Praise God that for over a year abortion facilities here couldn’t perform abortion on demand!

Unfortunately, yesterday marked a sorrowful day for Wisconsin. Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin opened their doors for abortion in Milwaukee and Dane Counties in what appears to be in violation of state statute 940.04 that criminalizes those who intentionally destroy the life of an unborn child.

This announcement for abortions to resume at Planned Parenthood last Thursday came as a surprise to our organization. When *Dobbs* went into effect, it was assumed by all statewide that statute 940.04 was in effect as Wisconsin’s pre-*Roe* law. This action is troubling for those who support the rule of law. As of today, there is **NO** court ruling that says Statute 940.04 is not in effect. And no legislative action has revoked the statute.

In July, a Dane County Judge denied a dismissal motion for the lawsuit filed by State Attorney General Josh Kaul to remove Wisconsin’s abortion ban. The judge has not issued an injunction to stop the enforcement of the ban; however, in her dismissal motion she claimed that Statute 940.04 means that one cannot kill a fetus by assaulting or battering a pregnant woman. Somehow, in her opinion, the language “intentionally destroys the life of an unborn child” doesn’t reflect an abortion procedure. Even the Wisconsin State Journal acknowledges that, “[t]here’s no current injunction preventing prosecutors from enforcing the 1849 law in cases of abortion.”



Julaine Appling speaking at a Pro-Life WI rally on Monday.

Yesterday was a terrible day for Wisconsin. Those made in the image of God will once again be killed unjustly. The intentional killing of the unborn is unjust not only in the eyes of God but also according to Wisconsin state law.

Please join us in praying that those who work for Planned Parenthood would repent and come to their senses, as well as those who are to enforce the law in Dane and Milwaukee County.

We at Wisconsin Family Council will still do everything in our power to fight for the Word of God, biblical justice, and the values of your church on marriage, family, life, and religious liberty. Even in the face of the evil that happened at Planned Parenthood of WI’s Madison location, WFC President Julaine Appling spoke on behalf of churches throughout Wisconsin at the rally for life that was quickly organized.

In Christ,



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P.S.: Please pray this week for: State representatives Darrin Madison (Milwaukee) and Shae Sortwell (Two Rivers), and state senator Chris Kapenga (Delafield).

P.P.S. We are thankful for those churches who are participating in Wisconsin Family Council (WFC) Sunday, on or near October 29. We appreciate all the support we receive from you and your church whether it be through finances, prayer, referrals, or volunteering. We would be honored have your church partner with us for WFC Sunday. Call Daniel or Dave for more information.

P.P.P.S. There’s still time to join us for our inaugural “A Huddle-Up with Our Heroes” this Thursday, September 21, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. We look forward to connecting with our heroes like you. You can sign up [HERE](#).