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From State Representative Kelly Cassidy

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Representative Cassidy Applauds Final Passage of New Abortion, Gender-Affirming Health Care Protection Package

Springfield, IL - The following is a statement from Rep. Kelly Cassidy, lead sponsor of HB4664 and SA 5 and 6, a sweeping new legislative package to expand and protect reproductive rights, including access to abortions, in Illinois:

“In the face of grave threats to the rights to privacy, reproductive care, and bodily autonomy of Americans everywhere, Illinois once again has stepped up. With this legislation, today, we are ensuring that Illinois will continue to serve the thousands of people traveling to our state every month to receive abortions and other reproductive and gender-affirming health care, which they can no longer access in their home states.

“I thank my colleagues on the Reproductive Rights and Dobbs Decision Working Group who worked with singular focus to craft this legislation. I am grateful to Sen. Celina Villanueva, a fierce champion and relentless voice for reproductive justice in the Senate. And I salute Speaker Welch, Senate President Harmon, and Governor Pritzker for their continued commitment to lead us in the protection of reproductive and gender-affirming health care in this state.

“Finally, we all owe a debt of gratitude to the heroic activists and providers across our state who have continued to show up in exceedingly difficult circumstances and provide needed care, all while simultaneously advocating for stronger protections and additional funding in Springfield.”

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