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Recently, we had a long drive in the car, and you know how good time in the car is for talking. We ended up talking about the pending Supreme Court decision that will likely overturn Roe, and strip hundreds of millions of Americans of the right to make their own health care decisions ... the right that people have had since I was born in 1973, which makes me a dinosaur according my children. My kids were honestly just **horrified** to realize that it was even **possible** to take such incredibly personal health care decisions **away** from people.

Tonight, I'd like to share their perspective, as the first generation that is about to come of age in a post-Roe world.

My 12 year-old would like to share these thoughts with you:  
"The government is supposed to **help** people live their best lives possible. It's not fair that, in some states, people are going to have to travel hundreds of miles for health care, because no one is **allowed** to take care of them where they live. The government should be making things more fair, not less fair for people."

And my 14 year-old shared:

"This is really important. People who are pregnant should be able to make the choice that works for them — only **they** know what that is, not the **government**. I can't imagine teenagers being forced to become parents just because they made a mistake. Vermont needs to make sure people the right to the

health care they need regardless of what's happening in Washington.”

Please, on behalf of my children and the other members of Generation Z whose access to health care will now depend on **what state** they live in, we ask that you pass the Reproductive Liberty Amendment. Thank you kindly for listening.