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Dear Friends,

As the Midwest's largest social service agency serving the AAPI community, the Chinese American Service League (CASL) is deeply disturbed by the Supreme Court's decision to overturn *Roe vs. Wade*. Since our founding, CASL has been rooted in the principles of equity and justice. That legacy continues to shape our efforts today as we strive to champion diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility at all levels of the organization.

Last week's Supreme Court decision, and the ripple effect it will have on many other rights, will have a disproportionate effect on women, low-income people, immigrants, people of color, victim-survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault and other historically marginalized communities. These members of the community that we serve every day are already denied access to healthcare based on lack of language access, cultural stigma, and other barriers.

Our concern about this decision is about more than equitable access to healthcare. This decision opens the door to roll back rights and protections far beyond reproductive care, such as same-sex and interracial marriage. As an organization whose mission calls for us to catalyze the transformation of individuals, families, and the community for an equitable future we must stand up for equity and stand up against any effort to roll back critical human rights.

Through our daily service to our community, the Community Equity Research Center, the Center for Social Impact, and Change InSight, CASL will continue to fight for social justice, representation, and meaningful change to ensure all individuals, families, and the community thrive in an equitable, diverse, and inclusive world.

Yours in service,

CASL Leadership