

The leadership team of the Department of Sociology strongly condemns the recent US Supreme Court decision to overturn the 1973 Roe v. Wade ruling that the US Constitution protects a pregnant woman's liberty to choose to have an abortion.

We firmly believe that reproductive rights are human rights. Legislative and judicial decisions to limit, weaken, or deny abortion rights are direct attacks on the lives, health, and freedom of women as well as trans and gender-nonconforming individuals. Until this recent US Supreme Court decision is overturned or until the US Congress codifies the protection of reproductive rights into federal law, yesterday's decision will have enduring harmful impacts on the health and well-being of many millions of Americans.

In this dark moment in our nation's history, we remain firm in our commitment to uphold Michigan State University's mission towards [promoting the health and security of our community](#).

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