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Florida Voice for the Unborn Expresses Deep Disappointment with the Florida Supreme
Court for Unacceptably Compromising with Evil by Permitting on this November's
General Election Ballot the Abortion Industry's Misleading Abortion-Until-Birth State
Constitutional Amendment While Also Correctly Finding That the State Constitution's
Privacy Clause Does Not Encompass a Right to Abortion

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Executive Director Andrew Shirvell today issued the following statement concerning the Florida Supreme Court's decision in *Advisory Opinion to the Attorney General re: Limiting Government Interference with Abortion* and *Planned Parenthood of Southwest and Central Florida v. State of Florida*:

"Florida Voice for the Unborn is profoundly disappointed in the Florida Supreme Court for deciding today to compromise with the abortion industry by allowing its misleading proposed constitutional amendment on this November's General Election ballot, while taking way too long to finally issue, contemporaneously, its long-awaited decision to uphold 2022's legislatively-enacted 15-Week Abortion Ban. Nonetheless, by overturning prior case law that had improperly held that the privacy clause of the Florida Constitution encompassed a so-called 'right' to obtain an abortion within the state of Florida, today's favorable decision on the 15-Week Abortion Ban means that 2023's Heartbeat Protection Act is now slated to go into full effect, including the prohibition on the vast majority of Florida abortions after six-weeks' gestation – and that is a silver lining in an otherwise dark day for Florida's unborn children."

Shirvell continued, "One cannot 'compromise' with evil – and the abortion industry is pure evil. Today's 'compromise' decisions are simply unacceptable when five of the current seven sitting Justices on the Court were appointed by Republican Governor Ron DeSantis. Clearly, grassroots pro-life advocates have been misled by elements within the 'pro-life, pro-family establishment'

because Florida's highest Court has now revealed itself to be a paper tiger when it comes to standing-up to the murderous abortion industry."

Shirvell concluded, "When pro-abortion forces launched their horrendous constitutional amendment petition initiative back in May of 2023, **Florida Voice for the Unborn** responded by enacting the state's first and foremost grassroots-driven 'Decline to Sign' campaign, which slowed the petition gatherers' momentum. And on February 7, 2024, the date of the oral arguments in this case, **Florida Voice for the Unborn** led a grassroots pro-life rally and press conference on the steps of the Florida Supreme Court to pray for, and encourage, the Justices to reach the correct decision. After today's upsetting Florida Supreme Court decision to greenlight the misleading pro-abortion ballot initiative, **Florida Voice for the Unborn** will continue leading the way by encouraging all Floridians with a functioning conscience to vote 'No' on what will now officially be known as 'Amendment 4.'"

Florida Voice for the Unborn is a Tallahassee-based grassroots lobbying group that only focuses on pro-life issues impacting the unborn. It is strictly independent, and its work is guided by faith in God's only Son, Jesus Christ. **Florida Voice for the Unborn** supports all peaceful efforts by elected officials and others to end abortion and save lives. Follow us on X (formerly Twitter), Facebook, Instagram, Pinterest, Truth Social, and YouTube @UnbornVoiceFL – and visit our website at <u>FloridaVoiceForTheUnborn.com</u>.