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National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health Applauds Ohio's Commitment to Women's Health

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Yesterday, Ohio voters approved Issue 1, a ballot measure that establishes in the state constitution “an individual right to one’s own reproductive medical treatment.” The amendment protects not only abortion care, but also access to contraception, fertility treatments, and miscarriage care. This decision comes in the wake of the United States Supreme Court's reversal of Roe v. Wade, amplifying the role of individual states in protecting reproductive rights.

Dr. Shawana Moore, President of the National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health (NPWH), said: "We extend our heartfelt congratulations to the people of Ohio for choosing to protect access to abortion, contraception, and other reproductive health decisions. Just last week, at our national conference, we gathered with women's healthcare providers from across the country – including from Ohio – who passionately shared the challenges they have recently faced in providing reproductive healthcare in their states. Access to high-quality, evidence-based healthcare is what providers and their communities need, and that includes abortion and all aspects of reproductive health."

Earlier this year, NPWH emphasized its commitment to reproductive health as a Priority Issue Area, one of three topics the organization will focus on over the next two years. Last week, the NPWH’s Annual Women's Healthcare Conference featured continuing education sessions designed to provide healthcare professionals with the latest insights and evidence-based practices, including various aspects of reproductive healthcare.

As Ohio makes significant strides in safeguarding reproductive rights, NPWH remains steadfast in its mission, which includes protecting and promoting a woman and all individuals' rights to make their own choices regarding their health and well-being within the context of their lived experience and their personal, religious, cultural, and family beliefs.

About NPWH:

NPWH is the professional community for Women's Health Nurse Practitioners and other advanced practice registered nurses who provide women's and gender-related healthcare. We set a standard
of excellence by generating, translating, and promoting the latest research and evidence-based clinical guidance, providing high-quality continuing education, and advocating for patients, providers, and the WHNP profession.

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