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## Wisconsin Right Lauds U.S. Supreme Court Decision on Free Speech

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"As a leader in national efforts to protect freedom of speech under the First Amendment to the Constitution, Wisconsin Right to life applauds today's U.S. Supreme Court decision restoring speech rights to organizations like ours," stated Barbara Lyons, Executive Director of Wisconsin Right to Life. "The very notion that legislatures can impose criminal penalties on groups who simply want to inform the public about candidate positions and voting records at election time is detrimental to free debate. The Justices have confirmed that recent laws enacted by state legislatures and the Congress amount to censorship."

Wisconsin Right to Life is currently challenging in federal court a law enacted by the Wisconsin legislature which requires taxpayer funding of State Supreme Court elections. The law also grants taxpayer funds to the opponent of a favored candidate if information is distributed by a group about that favored candidate.

"Wisconsin Right to Life is committed to filing further lawsuits if the state legislature attempts to censure speech as found in a bill passed by the State Senate earlier this week," continued Lyons."

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