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Dear

As your constituent, I urge you to support the Reproductive Health Act (S6045; 2008 session). The Supreme Court decision in *Gonzales v. Carhart*, permitting a ban on an abortion procedure without any exception to protect a woman's health, is a strong blow to women's reproductive rights. The Supreme Court's actions have made it clear that *Roe v. Wade* is at risk, and that New York can no longer afford to rely on federal constitutional law to protect women's fundamental right to make private healthcare decisions.

The Reproductive Health Act would help reverse the trend of increasing restrictions on women's reproductive health choices by codifying the protections of *Roe v. Wade* into New York State law. We must act now to strengthen the foundation for reproductive freedom in New York State, update our legal code to affirm choice, and ensure that women's health remains paramount in reproductive healthcare.

As a New Yorker, I am proud that our state has historically been a beacon and leader in women's rights and would like to uphold this hard-earned reputation. As your constituent, I urge you to demonstrate your support for women's health and reproductive choice by co-sponsoring this critical legislation.

Sincerely,

Signature:

Print Name:

Address: