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## **President Trump Promised A Justice To Overturn Roe. Clearly, Radical Anti-Choice Groups Think Judge Kavanaugh Will Follow Through**

*President Trump Said He Would Only Select Judges Who Would Overturn Roe v. Wade, And Extreme Anti-Choice Groups Are Applauding Judge Kavanaugh's Nomination*

**PRESIDENT TRUMP PROMISED A SUPREME COURT JUSTICE TO OVERTURN ROE V. WADE**

**Then-Candidate Donald Trump:**

**WALLACE:** But what I'm asking you, sir, is, do you want to see the court overturn — you just said you want to see the court protect the Second Amendment. Do you want to see the court overturn Roe v. Wade?

**TRUMP:** Well, if we put another two or perhaps three justice on, that's really what's going to be — that will happen. And that'll happen automatically, in my opinion, because I am putting pro-life justices on the court. I will say this: It will go back to the states, and the states will then make a determination. [Trump-Clinton Presidential Debate in Las Vegas, [10/19/16](#)]

**Then-Candidate Donald Trump:**

**O'REILLY:** All right. So, let me just get this straight. So that Diane's question is answered. Your specific thing to protect the sanctity of life would be appointing a Supreme Court justice that would overturn Roe v. Wade. Do I have it?

**TRUMP:** Well, they will be pro-life and we will see what about overturning. But we will appoint — I will appoint judges that will be pro-life, yes. [Fox News, [5/10/16](#)]

**Then-Candidate Donald Trump:**

**BRODY:** “But beyond judges, do you believe Roe V. Wade was wrongly decided back in the day, back in 1973?”

**TRUMP:** ‘Well I do. It’s been very strongly decided but it can be changed. Things are put there and they’re passed but they can be unpassed with time but it’s going to take time because you have a lot of judges to go.” [CBN, [2/18/16](#)]

**Then-Candidate Donald Trump:**

**TAPPER:** Pro-life. So, how important is that issue to you now? When President Trump picks Supreme Court justices, would that be a litmus test?

**TRUMP:** It is. It is. [CNN State of the Union, [6/28/15](#)]

## **CLEARLY, JUDGE KAVANAUGH MEETS THAT PROMISE – GROUPS FIGHTING TO OVERTURN ROE V. WADE LINED UP BEHIND JUDGE KAVANAUGH’S NOMINATION**

**Susan B. Anthony List President Marjorie Dannenfelser:** “President Trump has made another outstanding choice in nominating Judge Brett Kavanaugh to replace Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy, keeping his promise to nominate only originalist judges to the Court. Judge Kavanaugh is an experienced, principled jurist with a strong record of protecting life and constitutional rights, as evidenced by his opinions in *Garza v. Hagan* and *Priests for Life v. HHS*. **SBA List is mobilizing the pro-life grassroots nationwide and in key Senate battleground states to urge the Senate to swiftly confirm Judge Kavanaugh.**” [Press Release, [7/9/18](#)]

**Americans United for Life President & CEO Catherine Glenn Foster:** “Americans United for Life congratulates the next Supreme Court nominee, Judge Brett Kavanaugh. Based on his strong, twelve-year record on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, **we believe that Judge Kavanaugh will be an originalist Justice, committed to the text of the Constitution and to the rule of law, including legal protections for human life. This is a seminal moment for America. It’s a crucial chance to shift the Court back to a majority that does not look to Roe and Casey** – two of the worst examples of judicial activism – as their legacy. We urge the Senate to confirm Judge Kavanaugh swiftly so that he can begin serving our nation by the start of the Supreme Court’s next term in October.” [Press Release, [7/10/18](#)]

**National Right to Life Committee President Carol Tobias:** “‘All too often, democratically enacted laws to protect unborn children and other vulnerable humans have been overridden by judges who abuse their power to impose their own policy preferences,’ said Carol Tobias, president of National Right to Life. ‘Judge Kavanaugh’s record, viewed as a whole, indicates a willingness to enforce the rights truly based on the text and history of the Constitution, while otherwise leaving policymaking in the hands of elected legislators.’” [Press Release, [7/9/18](#)]

**Thomas More Society Special Counsel and Former Kavanaugh Clerk Sarah Pitlyk:** “As social conservatives know from bitter experience, a judicial record is the best — really, the only — accurate predictor of a prospective justice’s philosophy on the issues that matter most to us. **On the vital issues of protecting religious liberty and enforcing restrictions on abortion, no court-of-appeals judge in the nation has a stronger, more consistent record than Judge Brett Kavanaugh.** On these issues, as on so many others, he

has fought for his principles and stood firm against pressure. He would do the same on the Supreme Court.” [National Review, [7/3/18](#)]

## **IN POLL AFTER POLL, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE OPPOSE OVERTURNING ROE V. WADE**

**NBC News/Wall Street Journal: 71% of Americans and 52% of Republicans Oppose Overturning Roe v. Wade.** “A new poll from NBC News and the Wall Street Journal finds that 71 percent of American voters believe that the decision, which established a woman’s legal right to an abortion, should not be overturned... Those supporting the ruling include 88 percent of Democrats, 76 percent of independents and **a majority — 52 percent — of Republicans.**” [NBC News, [7/23/18](#)]

**Gallup: Nearly Two-Thirds of Americans Want Roe v. Wade to Stand.** “As the U.S. Senate prepares to hold confirmation hearings for Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh, the public is strongly opposed to any attempts to overturn Roe v. Wade, the landmark 1973 ruling that made abortion legal nationwide. Currently, **64% of Americans believe Roe v. Wade should stand**, while 28% would like to see it overturned.” [Gallup, [7/12/18](#)]

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