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**Universal Health Care Foundation applauds  
Supreme Court decision protecting access to reproductive health care.**

Frances G. Padilla, president of Universal Health Care Foundation of Connecticut, applauded the U.S. Supreme Court decision for preserving the right to safe, legal abortion.

“Abortion is health care, and today we applaud the Supreme Court’s decision to prevent further barriers in access to reproductive health care. Still, I worry about the many other cases heading to the court in upcoming years that could deny people their bodily autonomy. The fight does not end here,” Padilla said.

At Universal Health Care, we believe the right to abortion is part of the right to health care. Forcing people to stay pregnant against their will has devastating consequences for their physical and mental health and for the well-being of their families.

*Universal Health Care Foundation of Connecticut’s mission is to serve as a catalyst that engages residents and communities in shaping a democratic health system that provides universal access to quality, affordable health care and promotes health in Connecticut. We believe that health care is a fundamental right and that our work is part of a broader movement for social and economic justice.*