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POWER TO DECIDE HAILS NOMINATION OF JUDGE BROWN JACKSON TO UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT

(Washington, D.C.) — Today, President Joe Biden nominated Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson to the U.S. Supreme Court. If confirmed, Judge Jackson will be the first African American woman to serve on the nation's highest court. Judge Jackson presently sits on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, and previously served as a federal district court judge for the District of Columbia.

The following statement can be attributed to Power to Decide CEO Dr. Raegan McDonald-Mosley, MD, MPH:

"This Supreme Court has signaled its willingness to revisit settled law and potentially roll back reproductive rights and health for generations to come. The consequences of the court's decisions have far-reaching effects on the reproductive well-being, health and rights of people in every part of the country.

"We are encouraged by the nomination of Judge Jackson, whose background and experience—including her rulings protecting the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program—suggest that she understands the barriers women of color and people with low incomes face every day, such as accessing basic, reproductive health care.

"Judge Jackson's nomination is monumental, particularly for Black women and girls who may soon, finally, see themselves represented on the nation's highest court. Moreover, it is another step toward having the highest court in the land better represent the country and the <u>broad support</u> for reproductive health care access that exists within it.

"We urge the Senate to fairly consider Judge Jackson as the next Supreme Court justice."

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<u>Power to Decide</u> is a private, non-partisan, non-profit organization that works to ensure all people—no matter who they are, where they live, or what their economic status might be—have the power to decide if, when, and under what circumstances to get pregnant and have a child.