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Calling Attention to Attacks on *Roe v. Wade*

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On Saturday, January 21, I joined U.S. Representative Carolyn Maloney, New York State Assembly Members Micah Kellner, Dan Quart, and Aravella Simotas, New York City Councilmember Jessica Lappin, Donna Lieberman of the New York Civil Liberties Union, and Fabiola Carrión of Planned Parenthood of New York City in a news conference at City Hall to call attention to alarming legislative proposals from Congressional Republicans that would severely restrict women's access to birth control and reproductive healthcare. I have always strongly believed that reproductive health is a fundamental and integral part of comprehensive care. For the past thirty-nine years, *Roe v. Wade* has ensured that women have legally guaranteed choices in reproductive healthcare. We must keep up the fight to

make sure that *Roe v. Wade* continues to provide a strong and lasting barrier against right-wing and Republican attacks on healthcare choices, a woman's control of her body and personal destiny.