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Maury County Democrats to Meet October 5th, Endorse Murfreesboro Women's March

Columbia, TN: The Maury County Democratic Party (MCDP) will meet October 5, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at Evans Park in Spring Hill. The meeting will focus on improving outreach to voters, particularly in fast-growing parts of Maury County such as Spring Hill.

Additionally, the MCDP is also supporting the efforts of the Rutherford County Democratic Party (RCDP), Tennessee Advocates for Planned Parenthood (TAPP), and others in protesting recent legislative assaults on women's reproductive rights. The RCDP, TAPP, etc. are planning a "Bans Off Our Bodies" rally in Murfreesboro on October 2; the MCDP will be sharing information about the event as well as encouraging its members to volunteer to assist the main event organizers.

Recently, state representative Jerry Sexton (R-Bean Station) expressed admiration for a new Texas law which has effectively banned abortions after the sixth week of pregnancy, even in cases of rape or incest (WPLN, 9/2/2021). The Supreme Court has so far refused to check this unconstitutional. Other state representatives, including Rep. Scott Cepicky (R-Culleoka), have previously support so-called fetal heartbeat bills that would ban abortions in the first trimester.

The MCDP supports the 2020 DNC Platform, which states: "Democrats are committed to protecting and advancing reproductive health, rights, and justice. We believe unequivocally, like the majority of Americans, that every woman should be able to access high-quality reproductive health care services, including safe and legal abortion." The MCDP further supports current Democratic efforts to pass federal legislation that will protect the core principles of the *Roe v. Wade* decision.

About the October 2nd **March:** The "Bans Off Our Bodies" march will be held at 111 West Vine Street in Murfreesboro at noon on October 2. Please see this web site – https://act.womensmarch.com/event/oct-2-2021-march/2001?source=website&akid=

About the Maury County Democratic Party: The Maury County Democratic Party is the local county affiliate of the Tennessee Democratic Party and represents the interests of tens of thousands of Democratic-leaning voters in the county.