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the abortion decision.”

In a separate dissent, Judge Karen LeCraft Henderson, appointed by President George H. W. Bush, wrote that an illegal immigrant minor does not have the same right to an abortion that a U.S citizen has, adding that “under today’s decision, pregnant alien minors the world around seeking elective abortions will be on notice that they should make the trip” to the United States.

But writing in support of the majority decision, Judge Patricia Millett, an Obama appointee, said that “surely the mere act of entry into the United States without documentation does not mean that an immigrant’s body is no longer her or his own.”

“Jane Doe’s” ACLU attorney, Brigitte Amiri, took an opportunity to deride President Trump’s commitment to the unborn, declaring that “every step of the way, the Trump administration has shown their true colors in this case. It’s clear that their anti-woman, anti-abortion, anti-immigration agenda is unchecked by basic decency or even the bounds of the law.” She added that “no one should have to go to court to get a safe, legal abortion.”

By contrast, Marjorie Dannenfelser of the pro-life Susan B. Anthony List said that the ruling is “outrageous and sets a dangerous precedent. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services took a simple position that it would protect the life and dignity of the teenage girl and her unborn child while in their care.”

Dannenfelser added that the ruling “plays into the broader agenda of the ACLU, which is recklessly exploiting a teenage girl in order to make the United States a sanctuary state for abortion. We urge the Justice Department to appeal this ruling.”



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