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The Illinois House Dobbs Working Group Urges Mayor Johnson to Address Concerns Over Pending Closure of Greyhound Station

CHICAGO, IL. – Members of the Illinois House Dobbs Decision Working Group shared their concerns with Mayor Johnson raised by abortion providers and practical support organizations over the harm to inbound reproductive care patients that will be caused by the closure of the downtown Greyhound bus terminal.

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Office of the Mayor
121 N. La Salle St, 5th Floor
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Mayor Johnson,

As members of the Illinois House Dobbs Decision Working Group, we share the concerns raised by abortion providers and practical support organizations over the harm to inbound reproductive care patients that will be caused by the closure of the downtown Greyhound bus terminal. We urge you to act swiftly to address the issue. Many patients traveling to our city to access the legal health care they've been denied at home have struggled to find the resources to get here, and that often means relying on the least expensive means of transportation. In addition, the practical support organizations that patients frequently depend on for financial support have sounded the alarm that they are struggling to maintain sufficient funds to provide support to everyone who needs it. Eliminating bus travel as an economical option would be devastating to them.

The City has shown its commitment to supporting patients and providers in many ways, including being among the first to step up and dedicate funding streams to practical support providers, and taking steps

to address aggressive clinic protestors. We are grateful for that commitment and ask that you recognize the devastating impact that this closure would have on the patients and providers we support.

We appreciate your ongoing partnership and look forward to a smooth resolution to this time-sensitive issue.

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