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FAMILY INSTITUTE OF CONNECTICUT CONDEMNS SUPREME COURT DECISION; WILL HOLD PRESS CONFERENCE AT 3:00 PM

The Family Institute of Connecticut (FIC) today condemned the state Supreme Court's decision to impose same-sex "marriage" by judicial fiat. FIC will hold a press conference at 3 p.m. today in room 1C of the legislative office building.

FIC executive director Peter Wolfgang stated, "Even a legislature as liberal as ours has heeded the will of the people and said no to same-sex 'marriage' year after year. With today's ruling the Supreme Court has said to the people of Connecticut that 'No, even this victory will be denied to you. We, your robed masters, will decide the big questions of politics and you little people will have no choice but to bend to our will.' By ruling in this way the Court has undermined its own legitimacy and called into question whether we are still a free and self-governing people in Connecticut. But we will not bow to the diktats of a handful of self-appointed philosopher kings. If the Court will not respect its proper role to interpret, not make, law then we will seek other remedies. We will work for a majority "yes" vote this November 4th to hold a state constitutional convention and will fight to get a direct initiative law out of the convention. And then we will put a question on the ballot to allow the public—not our robed masters—to decide once and for all if marriage will be protected in our state constitution as the union of a man and a woman.

"Connecticut does not want judges to impose same-sex "marriage" by undemocratic fiat. Connecticut wants the same right exercised by 28 other states: to decide by direct initiative whether marriage will be protected or redefined. We need the right that exists in all but 19 states: to let the people have direct say over our laws. The Court's willingness to undemocratically impose same-sex marriage on Connecticut has made it necessary for us to demand the right to Let the People Decide. And that is why thousands of us will vote 'yes' for a constitutional convention on November 4th."

The Family Institute of Connecticut is a non-profit, non-partisan organization dedicated to creating a family-friendly environment in our state. We are working to encourage and strengthen the family as the foundation of society and to promote sound ethical and moral values in our culture and government. You can learn more about the Family Institute of Connecticut at our web site, www.ctfamily.org, or by calling our Hartford office at (860) 548-0066 or toll-free (877) 33-FAMILY.

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