**Marin Women’s Commission –– May 9, 2022**

**Special Meeting Minutes Draft**

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 **Monday, May 9, 2022 –– 7:00 p.m**

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order/Establish Quorum at 7:03 pm Present: LA, SC, AS, BA, CM, ML

1. Motion to approve the drafted agenda for the Special Meeting on Monday, May 9, 2022 AS/ML m/s/p
2. Discussion, edits and updates on the MWC’s statement on leaked SCOTUS draft Opinion to End Abortion and Privacy Rights.

Motion to approve the finalized statement and press release. CM/ AS m/s/p

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Marin Women’s Commission Statement on Leaked SCOTUS Draft Opinion to End Abortion and Privacy Rights**

May 9th, 2022 ***The Marin Women’s Commission is deeply concerned about the draft SCOTUS opinion released that would overturn the Roe v. Wade decision, and fundamentally undermine the American people’s rights to privacy and self-determination.*** The Marin Women’s Commission has been representing women and girls in Marin County Since 1974. We envision a diverse, fair, and equitable Marin, where all women and people who can become pregnant have the resources to live happy healthy and productive lives. If the Supreme Court of the United States does indeed follow the draft, millions of people’s ability to live fair, equitable, happy, and healthy lives will stop.

Overturning Roe v. Wade will not stop women from obtaining abortions – but it will prevent them from being able to do so safely. The right to choose what happens to one’s own body cannot be a right bestowed only on the wealthy and the powerful. Lack of access impacts low-income communities and communities of color first and is fundamentally inequitable.

The Marin County Commission on the Status of Women was created by the Board of Supervisors to ensure women equal economic, social, political, and educational opportunities throughout the county. We, along with The California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls, stand ready to do whatever is required to protect the rights to privacy, choice, access to healthcare, and self-determination. We will continue to fight for the rights of all women and pregnant people to make decisions about their own bodies through policy, education, advocacy at every level, and our on-the-ground support of providers and advocacy efforts. The Commission is ready to step up and support all women and girls in California and from out of state that need access to care.

1. Adjournment at 7:30 pm