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Dear John Stankey,

I am here today with a growing movement of thousands of consumers horrified by AT&T's support for right-wing extremism and attacks on reproductive freedom.

AT&T has made grand gestures to signal to consumers that it values diversity, inclusion, and women's empowerment--yet your company invests in dangerous, anti-abortion policies through its political giving.

As one of the largest corporate backers of the anti-abortion extremists trying to ban abortion across the country, AT&T is responsible for the catastrophe that women, girls, and pregnant people are being forced to face. In Texas, AT&T donated thousands of dollars to four primary sponsors of the S.B.8 law that has effectively removed the right to bodily autonomy across the second-largest state in our country. *Roe v. Wade* is now officially on the line, and copycat laws are in the works across the U.S. These historic attacks on reproductive freedom harm your employees, shareholders, and consumers, especially Black, Indigenous, and women of color and immigrants. Anti-abortion ideology is a bellwether for a larger, highly dangerous ideology that is forcing our democracy to a breaking point.

The world is watching, and AT&T has a choice to make. Will the company continue to support extremist, anti-abortion, racist politicians, or will it stop funding them and take a public stand against these deadly attacks on reproductive rights? We ask that AT&T stop supporting anti-justice and anti-equality ideology, pledge to immediately stop giving money to misogynistic and white supremacist politicians and platforms in the future, and speak out against against abortion bans and restrictions moving through legislatures across the country. Instead, AT&T must commit to investing in reproductive health and justice, for your employees, shareholders, and consumers.

AT&T's continued support for these dangerous lawmakers will erode customer trust in your company, a hard-won asset necessary to protect your bottom line. Two-thirds of Americans support the legal right to abortion, and we expect companies to protect this fundamental right.

Sincerely,