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Dear Mr. Moynihan, Mr. Dimon, Ms. Fraser, Mr. Gorman, Mr. Scharf, Mr. Gibbons, Mr. Solomon, and Mr. O'Hanley:

We are writing to express serious concern with your recent decision to use corporate funds to pay for travel expenses for employees seeking abortions. Your decisions are a deeply troubling announcement not only because it establishes your banks as a public advocate for abortion, but also because of the fiduciary responsibility you have to your shareholders.

Last month, in striking down its own 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision, the Supreme Court called that prior ruling "egregiously wrong and deeply damaging." In doing so, abortion policies have now been remanded back to the people and their elected representatives, where they belong.

While there are certain situations that warrant special consideration, such as when the life of a mother is in danger, the overwhelming majority of abortions are for convenience. Stated more appropriately,

¹ https://abort73.com/abortion_facts/us_abortion_statistics/

abortions destroy the life of an unborn child, and the vast majority of them are elective forms of birth control.

Despite what liberal activists claim, a viable unborn child is not some type of negative "medical condition" for his or her mother. And elective abortions for convenience are not "reproductive healthcare." While travel expenses for legitimate medical issues may be appropriate, we find it outrageous that your new policy also appears to cover travel expenses for abortions as an elective method of birth control.

These policies will facilitate the death of unborn children for the sake of convenience, and we find that both reprehensible and immoral. Furthermore, you have a fiduciary responsibility to your shareholders to be a good steward of company funds, yet it is beyond us how your new policies meet that requirement in any defensible way. In fact, according to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), "a bank's primary duty is the management and care of property for others." ² In a bank's case, the "others" refers to your investors, shareholders, and clientele.

However, the monumental – and correct – decision in *Dobbs* will be undermined by policies from your institutions and other businesses alike if your policies remain. The Supreme Court's decision to overturn *Roe* simply returned the decision to ban, expand, or keep abortion policy in place back to the people and their elected representatives, not unelected judges. This verdict will save countless lives by protecting the sanctity of life, but your choices will lead to the circumvention of state laws and unfettered access to elective abortions.

Ultimately, by your paying for these travel expenses, you are using the money and resources of your investors, your board, and your clientele to allow for abortion procedures to take place when many of these individuals may not wish for their hard-earned dollars to be used for abortions or access to abortions. Your decisions allow you to pick winners and losers in a social policy debate rather than focusing on your shareholders' and investors' bottom-line.

As congressional representatives for many of your shareholders, we implore you to immediately reconsider this ill-advised policy to use company funds, directly or indirectly, to pay for travel expenses for employees seeking elective abortions. We look forward to your prompt attention and reply on this very important matter.

Sincerely,

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² https://www.fdic.gov/resources/bankers/trust-fiduciary-activities/

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