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IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN AND FOR NATRONA COUNTY, WYOMING

DANIELLE JOHNSON; GIOVANNINA ANTHONY, M.D.; RENE HINKLE, M.D.; CHELSEA'S FUND; JTP PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CORPORATION, d/b/a Just The Pill; CIRCLE OF HOPE HEALTH CARE SERVICES, INC., d/b/a Wellspring Health Access,

Plaintiffs,

v.

STATE OF WYOMING; MARK GORDON, Governor of Wyoming; BRIDGET HILL, Attorney General for the State of Wyoming; JOHN HARLIN, Sheriff Natrona County, Wyoming; and SHANE CHANEY, Chief of Police, City of Casper, Wyoming,

Defendants.

2025-CV-0115019
District Judge Daniel L. Forgey

**MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER
AGAINST WYOMING'S CRIMINAL TRAP LAWS
*EMERGENCY HEARING REQUESTED***

COME NOW Plaintiffs, by and through undersigned counsel, and FOR THEIR MOTION pursuant to Wyo. Stat. §§ 1-28-101 *et seq.* and Wyo. R. Civ. P. 65, hereby move the Court for an immediate and emergency temporary restraining order against Defendants, enjoining the

enforcement of enacted Criminal TRAP Laws¹ targeting women and their health care providers, specifically those enacted under HB42 and HB64,² as unconstitutional under Wyoming's Constitution.³

As grounds for this Motion, Plaintiffs incorporate their Memorandum in Support of Motion for temporary restraining order and attached declarations, filed contemporaneously with this motion.

As further grounds, Plaintiffs' submissions plainly demonstrate the requirements for immediate injunctive relief are met:

1. If the temporary restraining order is not granted Plaintiffs will continue to suffer irreparable harm;
2. The harms that will be endured by Defendants from issuance of the injunction (if any) are far outweighed by the irreparable harms Plaintiffs will continue to suffer under the Criminal TRAP laws;

¹ In the 2025 session, the Legislature adopted House Bill 42 and House Bill 64, which together include provisions substantially similar to the 2024 House Bill 148 vetoed by the governor.¹ See House Enrolled Act No. 26, H.R. 42, 68th Leg., Gen. Sess., (Wyo. 2025), Wyo. Stat. Ann. §§ 35-6-201 through 35-6-204 (2025), Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 35-2-901(a)(ii) (amended) (2025), and Wyo. Stat. Ann. "Section 3, Section 4, Section 5" (statutes unidentified as published) ("House Bill 42"); House Enrolled Act No. 35, H.R. 64, 68th Leg., Gen. Sess., Ch. (Wyo. 2025), Wyo. Stat. Ann. §§ 35-6-201 through 35-6-202 (2025) ("House Bill 64"). House Bills 42 and 64 are hereinafter Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 35-6-201 *et seq.* or the "Criminal TRAP Laws."

² The Criminal Trap Laws are the latest in the evolutionary tale of the Wyoming Legislature's attempts to restrict women's privacy and autonomy (all of which have failed so far), a brief synopsis of which is provided in Plaintiffs' Complaint filed in this matter and incorporated herein by this reference.

³ The Wyoming Supreme Court has consistently held that the Wyoming Constitution serves as a source of rights independent from the United States Constitution, and that its guarantees may be more expansive than those under federal law. See *e.g. O'Boyle v. State*, 2005 WY 83, 117 P.3d 401, 408 (Wyo. 2005). Indeed, as recently as November 18, 2024, the Ninth Judicial District Court reaffirmed this principle in the last case involving virtually the same parties, and the 2023 legislative aim to strip the reproductive rights of women, when she granted plaintiffs summary judgment and prayer for a permanent injunction. See Ex. 1, Summary Judgment Order.

3. Issuance of the requested temporary restraining order is in the public interest, as avoiding violation of a party's constitutional rights is always in the public interest. *Guzzo v. Mead*, 2014 WL 5317797, at *8 (D. Wyo. 2014)⁴; and

4. Plaintiffs have shown that they are substantially likely to prevail on the merits of the underlying claim.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs request the entry of a temporary restraining order effective *immediately*, enjoining Defendants from enforcement of the Wyoming TRAP Laws HB42 and HB64 pending trial on the merits of this action, and an emergency hearing on this motion.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 21st day of March, 2025.



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⁴ “The balance of harms generally favors granting preliminary injunctive relief because the public is not harmed by enjoining the enforcement of a likely unconstitutional statute.” *Guzzo*, at *8.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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