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**STATEMENT FROM NYC HEALTH COMMISSIONER DR. ALISTER MARTIN ON SUPREME
COURT RULING ALLOWING TELEHEALTH ACCESS TO MIFEPRISTONE**

“In good news, the Supreme Court blocked a recent appeals court decision, allowing for Mifepristone to remain available by mail for people seeking to end their pregnancy. Mifepristone has been safely used by millions of people worldwide for more than two decades for abortion and miscarriage care.

While this is promising news, we know the fight to access sexual and reproductive healthcare is far from over. Too many people face barriers to abortion care, both in states with severe abortion restrictions or bans and in places like New York, where abortion remains legal.

The New York City Health Department is proud to provide access to care for anyone seeking abortion care in New York City. Our Abortion Access Hub navigators confidentially connect callers to appropriate care, and to providers who can support with financial assistance, travel and lodging, while the city’s Sexual Health Clinics offer no-cost medication abortion and contraception. Services are provided regardless of immigration, insurance, or gender identity to ensure all patients receive safe, high quality medical care where and when they need it.”