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TREASURER RUSSELL STATEMENT ON RECENT SUPREME COURT DECISIONS

Connecticut Treasurer Erick Russell issued the following statement on Friday in response to recent decisions by the Supreme Court on affirmative action, LGBTQ+ protections, and student loan relief:

"This week's Supreme Court decisions on affirmative action, student loan forgiveness, and LGBTQ+ rights represent a radical misreading of constitutional precedent and reveal a deep misunderstanding of modern American life. Our country holds the promise of boundless opportunity and inalienable rights. Yet, our history is marked by shameful instances where we failed to keep that promise. These decisions pull us backwards, placing new barriers between Americans and the full benefits of American liberty and prosperity.

"These outcomes are disappointing but not surprising, the latest in an ongoing race of legal extremism seeking to undo decades of American progress on civil rights, voting access, environmental protection, and other areas critical to citizens of all backgrounds across the nation. It's more important than ever that Connecticut holds strong to its shared values of opportunity and inclusion, and helps shield our residents from the damaging impacts of these and future decisions."

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