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LOUISIANA CITIZENS AGAINST CENSORSHIP DECRIES SUPREME COURT DECISION REFUSING TO REVIEW CRITICAL BOOK BAN CASE

(BATON ROUGE, LA)— December 9, 2025— Louisiana Citizens Against Censorship (LA-CAC) today issued a strong statement criticizing the Supreme Court’s decision to decline to hear the appeal in *Little v. Llano County*, a landmark case challenging the removal of books from a Texas public library. LA-CAC warns that by allowing the lower court’s ruling to stand, the Court has set a dangerous precedent that undermines the public’s First Amendment right to access information.

“This is a profoundly disappointing moment for intellectual freedom and the integrity of our public institutions,” said Lynette Mejía, LA-CAC Executive Director. “The decision to leave the Fifth Circuit’s ruling intact sends a chilling message that ideological control, rather than the core mission of education and access, can dictate what is available in our public libraries. The government has no business telling the public what they can and cannot read.”

LA-CAC has been an active voice in the defense of the freedom to read. In October, Louisiana Citizens Against Censorship submitted an amicus brief to the Supreme Court on behalf of the plaintiffs in this case, urging the Justices to review the decision and uphold the fundamental rights of library patrons. The brief emphasized the integral role local public libraries play in communities, and argued that the lower court’s ruling improperly grants local officials the power to engage in viewpoint-based discrimination, ignoring established constitutional principles governing public library collections.

LA-CAC reaffirms its unwavering commitment to the public’s right to free access to information in our public libraries. We believe that public libraries must remain places where all ideas and voices can be explored freely, serving as cornerstones of an informed democracy. We will continue to organize and fight against the proliferation of book bans and censorship efforts across Louisiana and the nation.

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Louisiana Citizens Against Censorship is an all-volunteer, grassroots 501(c)(4) organization dedicated to fighting attempts to ban or restrict books based on subjective standards of inappropriate content. We believe that informed citizens are good citizens, and access to information is the cornerstone of a functioning democracy. To that end, we oppose any legislation aimed at restricting citizens’ First Amendment Rights, as well as the right to read freely. Visit us at www.la-cac.org.