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Amendment 4 Leader Desmond Meade Releases Statement on Supreme Court Decision to Temporarily Block Florida Returning Citizens from Voting

“At the heart of this debate are hundreds of thousands of people from all walks of life, and all parts of the state,” said Desmond Meade, Executive Director of the Florida Rights Restoration Coalition. “People who a federal judge said should vote in this election, but that our own government is now blocking.”

“We are disappointed with the Supreme Court’s decision but not deterred. Where others see obstacles, we see opportunities. We know a more vibrant democracy is a stronger democracy, and that the voices of the people will be heard.

That is why FRRC will continue to operate under the color of law and work to get as many people registered to vote ahead of the election as possible.”

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FRRC is a grassroots, membership organization run by Returning Citizens (Formerly Convicted Persons) who are dedicated to ending the disenfranchisement and discrimination against people with convictions and creating a more comprehensive and humane reentry system that will enhance successful reentry, reduce recidivism, and increase public safety.