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Honoring Dr. Bhavik Kumar's work in this movement.

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Dr. Kumar speaks at a rally on the steps of the U.S. Supreme Court in March 2016. Photo Credit: Whole Woman's Health

Abortion providers face immense obstacles when providing care for their patients. They put their lives at risk every single day to selflessly provide comprehensive and dignified health care for the people who come to their clinics. Dr. Bhavik Kumar's strong advocacy in the face of continued attacks on abortion access by the Texas Legislature is invaluable for the people affected most by the state's abortion restrictions. That's why we're so honored to present Dr. Kumar with Whole Woman's Health the Fighting Spirit Award at this year's Fall Celebration.

Dr. Kumar's advocacy extends beyond the clinic. As legislatures across the country increasingly rely on medically inaccurate terms and scare tactics to push increased abortion restrictions, Dr. Kumar sought out opportunities to educate legislators and advocates on the realities of abortion care. This was especially useful during the last legislative session, when the Texas Legislature passed Senate Bill 8. The bill essentially bans second trimester abortions and makes it much harder for doctors to practice their best medical judgment when treating patients. From speaking at a rally on the steps of the Supreme Court prior to the HB 2 decision to working with reporters to demystify common abortion procedures, Dr. Kumar's commitment to reducing stigma and spreading medically-accurate information is invaluable to our movement.



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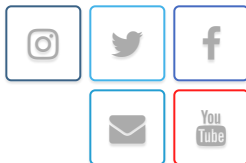
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