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## MCC DENOMINATION APPLAUDS, CELEBRATES SCOTUS DECISION

Leaders of the Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) are applauding the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS) not to hear a case that might have opened the door to reversing legal same-sex marriage.

Without offering comment, SCOTUS today made known that the nine Justices would not hear the appeal brought by disgraced former official Kim Davis, of Kentucky, who was jailed 10 years ago for refusing to issue a marriage license to a same-sex couple and was later ordered to pay \$360,000 in fines and damages.

"Our denomination was founded in 1968, and performed the first public same-sex union a year later," said MCC Moderator Rev. Elder Cecilia Eggleston. "We have celebrated each milestone in the work for marriage equality around the world and, today, we applaud the wisdom of the SCOTUS Justices."

"I thank God that the Supreme Court declined to take up Kim Davis' bogus lawsuit, which she has repeatedly lost in the lower courts," said Rev. Elder Rich Hendricks, a member of MCC's Council of Elders. "But we know this is not the end of our fight. We must be vigilant in asserting and protecting our hard-fought right to marriage equality, and to full equality of all rights for LGBTQ+ people worldwide."

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