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Allie Phillips announces candidacy for TN State Representative District 75.

CLARKSVILLE, TN | October 2nd, 2023 – Allie Phillips has announced her candidacy for the Democratic nomination to state representative, District 75.

Phillips, a Tennessee native, received her bachelor's degree in Multimedia Journalism from Middle Tennessee State University. She was raised in Ashland City and after graduation, she made her home in Clarksville.

At the age of 22, Allie became a single mother. She worked three jobs while attending school full-time in order to ensure that her daughter had everything she needed. Three years later, Allie met Bryan and their family was complete. Then, in November of 2022, Allie and Bryan learned that they were expecting. They were elated and began to plan, but during a routine anatomy scan at nineteen weeks pregnant, they were informed that their daughter, Miley Rose, was not compatible with life.

After discussing every possible alternative with their doctor, Allie and Bryan decided that termination was the best option for them. Unfortunately, the state of Tennessee had implemented a state-wide abortion ban in August of 2022 which made it impossible. Allie made the difficult decision to fly to New York City, alone, to have the procedure done. One week and three days after their appointment, Allie arrived at the clinic to learn that Miley Rose was already gone. Her heart had stopped beating at some point in the last week. With a risk of sepsis, blood clots, infections, or more, Allie had to receive an emergency abortion alone: in a city she had never visited before, without her trusted doctor, family, or her husband by her side.

When Allie returned from New York, she told her story on TikTok where it gained her hundreds of thousands of followers - many of whom shared similar experiences. Since then, Allie has become a vocal activist for women's right to choose, and in September of 2023, Allie was one of twelve plaintiffs listed in a suit filed by the Center for Reproductive Rights against the states of Idaho, Tennessee, and Oklahoma for their extremely restrictive abortion bans.

"I've had the honor of being a voice for so many people, not only in Tennessee but across the world. My story, unfortunately, is all too familiar for many families," Phillips said. "My commitment to fighting for change is something Clarksville needs in a representative. We deserve someone who listens, understands, and cares, and that person is me. My passion for people will help me better represent the citizens of District 75."

Allie is not a polished politician or a millionaire. She's a mother, a sister, a daughter, a wife, and a friend - and she believes that Tennessee can change for the better. For more information or to get involved, visit allie4tn.com.

District 75 was established in 2022 through redistricting and covers roughly the western third of Montgomery County and the west side of Clarksville.