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## Abortion providers cite rise in threats

Illinois man sentenced to 5 years for trying to burn down Danville clinic

By **Angie Leventis Lourgos**  
Chicago Tribune

An Illinois man was sentenced to five years in prison on Monday for trying to prevent the opening of an abortion clinic in Danville by crashing his car into the building and attempting to set it on fire, an act that reproductive health care advocates say has been part of a

spike in violence and harassment against such facilities since the end of *Roe v. Wade*.

Philip Buyno, 73, of Prophetstown was also ordered to pay more than \$300,000 restitution, the Justice Department said in a statement. Authorities said Buyno intended to destroy the building before the clinic could open, citing his long history of abortion oppo-

sition.

On Tuesday, several Illinois abortion providers held a roundtable event in Springfield with lawmakers, urging their help to curb the surge in violence, vandalism and intimidation that has recently plagued reproductive health care statewide and across the nation.

"The tactics of obstructing clinic entrances and threatening violence not only create a climate of fear but also have systemically marginalized abortion care from the broader spectrum of health

care services," said Yamelsie Rodríguez, president and CEO of Advocates of Planned Parenthood of the St. Louis Region and Southwest Missouri, during the roundtable.

Rodríguez, whose agency also covers southern Illinois, added that "this orchestrated campaign of intimidation has had a profound effect on community perceptions and access to abortion care." She pressed legislators to "partner with us providers to take whatever measures are available" to ensure reproductive services are free from violence and intimidation.

Several abortion providers, including Planned Parenthood of Illinois, took part in Tuesday's discussion, as well as clinic escorts and volunteers. State Sen. Adriane Johnson, D-Buffalo Grove, and state Rep. Mary Beth Canty, D-Arlington Heights, also attended.

Michele Landeau, chief operating officer at Hope Clinic in Granite City, said last year two people who were opposed to abortion got through the clinic's security barriers and entered the

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## Hoping to again catch a ride

Alex Milewski, 11, center, chants while the CPS Parents for Buses coalition rallies Tuesday in Daley Plaza to support bringing back busing and transportation allowances for Chicago Public Schools students who lost access to school bus service this year. More than a hundred people gathered, using symbolism of the traditional yellow bus to drive home their message. **Chicagoland, Page 3**

## Soot limits would lead to cleaner factories

EPA proposal targets industry, vehicles in Midwest cities

By **Michael Hawthorne**  
Chicago Tribune

New limits on lung-damaging soot proposed by President Joe Biden's administration would effectively require cleaner factories, power plants and vehicles in Chicago and several other urban industrial centers across the Midwest.

At the urging of his independent scientific advisers, Michael Regan, administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, is pushing to lower the annual standard for the deadly air pollutant to 9 micrograms per cubic meter of air, down from the current restriction of 12 micrograms per cubic meter.

Regan estimated during a Tuesday call with reporters that the proposed changes would provide up to \$77 in health benefits nationwide in 2032 for every dollar polluters spend to clean up their operations.

Soot, also known as fine particulate matter, can penetrate deep into the lungs and trigger myriad health problems, including cancer, heart disease, respiratory ailments, diabetes and brain damage, shaving years off lives. The type of

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## School shooter's mother convicted

Jennifer Crumbley exits a courtroom in Pontiac, Michigan, on Tuesday after a jury found her guilty of involuntary manslaughter in the killings of four students by her son, Ethan Crumbley, at a school in 2021. She was accused of failing to secure a gun and ammunition at home and failing to get help to support her son's mental health. **Nation & World inside Business, Page 4**

### Transcending pizza tradition

New-school, Chicago-style, thin crust, square cut tavern-style pizza is having a moment. Three restaurants use the style to speak poetry in pizza. **Louisa Kung Liu Chu reviews in Food & Health**



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### Funding helps feed migrants

Mayor Brandon Johnson celebrated a network of Black and Latino-owned businesses that he said has fed more than 10,000 migrants with the help of state funding. **Business**

## Appeals court rules Trump not immune

Former presidents can't be 'above law for all time,' panel says

By **Eric Tucker**  
and **Alanna Durkin Richer**  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A federal appeals panel ruled Tuesday that Donald Trump can face trial on charges that he plotted to overturn the results of the 2020 election, sharply rejecting the former president's claims that he is immune from prosecution while setting the stage for additional challenges that could further delay the case.

The ruling is significant not only for its stark repudiation of Trump's novel immunity claims but also because it breathes life back into a landmark prosecution that had been effectively frozen for weeks as the court considered the appeal. Yet the one-month gap between when the court heard arguments and issued its ruling has already created uncertainty about the timing of a trial in a calendar-jammed election year, with the judge overseeing the case last week canceling the initial March 4 date.

Trump's team vowed to appeal, which could postpone the case by weeks or months — particularly if the Supreme Court agrees to take it up. The appeals panel, which

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## Pay battle for tipped workers expanding

Backers of ending subminimum wage take the fight to Springfield

By **Jeremy Gornor**  
Chicago Tribune

Fresh off a major victory that made Chicago the largest city in the nation to independently abolish a lower minimum wage for tipped workers, the national One Fair Wage campaign is looking for similar success in Springfield.

Members of the organization stood with supportive Illinois lawmakers outside the state Capitol on Tuesday to unveil proposed legislation that would phase out the subminimum wage for restaurant staff and other tipped workers throughout Illinois over two years.

The Chicago City Council's vote last October to end the subminimum wage was a big win for Mayor Brandon Johnson's progressive agenda. The prospects for a similar victory statewide are uncertain.

While the state legislature and governor's office are firmly in Democratic hands, the General Assembly doesn't have nearly the rate of progressive lawmakers as Chicago's City Council, and

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