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BUSH, CECILIA ABBOTT HEADLINE ANTI-ABORTION RALLY IN TEXAS



Cecilia Abbott (AP Photo/David J. Phillip)

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AUSTIN, TX -- Texas first lady Cecilia Abbott and George P. Bush are headlining an anti-abortion rally at the Texas Capitol that is expected to draw thousands of people.

The Texas Rally for Life on Saturday has become a big stage for Republican leaders. Former Gov. Rick Perry is among those who have energized crowds in previous years with speeches emphasizing tough anti-abortion laws passed in Texas.

Cecilia Abbott's appearance could signal a bigger public role for the first lady than her predecessor. The rally is also Bush's first major public event since being sworn in as land

commissioner.

The rally is taking place as a federal appeals court in New Orleans is deciding whether the uphold restrictions that would leave only eight abortion providers in Texas.

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