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Full-Page Ad in The Washington Post Calls on Congressional Leadership to Pass Permanent, National Paid Leave Policy

Nationwide Ad Highlights Paid Leave: “We Need it Now and We Need it Permanently.”

Washington, D.C. — Tomorrow, the Paid Leave for All campaign will lead more than 400 organizations across the country with a signed letter, placed as a full page ad in The Washington Post, calling on congressional leadership to pass a permanent, national paid family and medical leave policy in the next infrastructure bill.

Joining the letter are a number of prominent national organizations, including the AFL-CIO, AFSCME, AFT, NEA, SEIU, the American Academy of Pediatrics, NAACP, The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, National Military Family Association, March of Dimes, TIME’S UP, UnidosUS, Girls Who Code, National Domestic Workers Alliance, Small Business Majority, ZERO TO THREE, and more.

Paid Leave for All’s founding executive committee includes A Better Balance, Black Women’s Roundtable, Caring Across Generations, Center for American Progress, The Center for Law and Social Policy, Family Values @ Work, Main Street Alliance, MomsRising, and the National Partnership for Women & Families.
The diverse list of organizations that signed the letter represent small business owners, nonprofits that serve people with chronic health issues, parents, caregivers, medical professionals, union members, and workers from across the United States who understand that a national paid leave policy is essential to an equitable economic recovery. The pandemic has proven that this investment in our national care infrastructure can’t wait.

The text of the full-page ad in The Washington Post reads as follows:

Speaker Pelosi, Leader Schumer, Leader McCarthy, Leader McConnell:

Thank you to those who voted for the historic investments in the American Rescue Plan. If there’s one thing the pandemic has made clear, it’s that family and health come first. Caring for themselves and their families in times of need should never cost workers their income or jobs. Paid leave is one of voters' top recovery priorities and key to a race and gender equitable economy. We need it now and we need it permanently.

236 members of Congress have joined small business owners, nonprofits, parents, caregivers, medical professionals, military families, Republicans, Democrats, and workers across the nation who know that what matters most is being there for family — whether caring for a new child, for a parent or other loved one, or for ourselves. This is part of the care infrastructure we need and voters want, and care can’t wait.

To build back better, save jobs and protect our families, we can and must work together with the Administration to pass paid leave for all — for good.
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*Paid Leave for All is a campaign fighting for paid family and medical leave for all working people.*