

November 6, 2017

Dear Members of Congress:

Nearly a year ago, President Trump's election brought a daunting challenge to our doorstep. In the past twelve months, we have seen hurtful and divisive rhetoric; dismantling of federal infrastructure that protects workers and the environment; and executive actions that scapegoat immigrants, harm people of color, and attack the LGBTQ community. But we—women, people of color, immigrants—know what it's like to face impossible odds. We've been fighting for ourselves, and each other, for generations.

This President has united the progressive sector—because his attacks on our communities and our rights are attacks on all of us. We the undersigned are working for a future in which each of us lives with dignity and respect. As organizations working in the immigrant rights, LGBTQ, economic justice, and labor movements—we also understand that attacks on reproductive rights are attacks on all of us.

For 41 years, politicians have used the Hyde Amendment to deny abortion coverage to those already struggling to make ends meet. But we seek a future where politicians no longer use the Hyde Amendment to punish low-income people by denying coverage for abortion care. Together with our partners at All* Above All, we envision a world in which no one is forced to delay necessary reproductive health care, stopped from getting an abortion, or pushed deeper into poverty. A future grounded in respect, support, and coverage.

After nearly a year of protesting, resisting, and organizing against the new administration, we're looking to the future. This week marks one year since President Trump was elected. This administration has brought a daunting challenge to our doorstep, but we—women, people of color, LGBTQ people, immigrants—know what it's like to face impossible odds. We've been fighting for ourselves, and each other, for generations. Let's #BOLDtheFuture & lift abortion coverage bans – together.

Signed:

Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance, AFL-CIO

Center for Community Change Action

Fast Food Justice

Hispanic Federation

Jobs with Justice

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