Greetings to AFSCME activists from the National Mobilization for Reproductive Justice

Abortion rights are labor's fight!

Union members joined multitudes of people in U.S. streets protesting the Supreme Court's outrageous June 24 decision abolishing the constitutional right to abortion. These right-wing reactionaries have dragged the U.S. back 50 years. It's back to the days of prosegregation "states' rights" law and bans on contraception and queer identities. And forward to the dystopia of a fertilized egg having all the rights of personhood. **We reject this future.**

There is an urgent need for labor organizations to raise their voices and **take action** for reproductive justice. Working people will not be denied the ability to control our own bodies, lives, job options and health care.

The gender gap in wages, promotions, and education is dramatically widened when parents have to leave the workforce to bear the burden of care. The many forms of reproductive *injustice*, including forced sterilization and lack of affordable childcare, have the most devastating consequences for people who are poor, of color, queer, trans, or living with disabilities.

Unions have the power to make change

The fight for reproductive justice needs the numbers, militancy and know-how of organized labor. As AFSCME members, let's urge our unions to work with other unions to organize an emergency national conference of working women and allies to strategize how to preserve these vital rights.

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The National Mobilization for Reproductive Justice is a growing coalition of unions, groups and individuals based on these demands:

- Protect and expand Roe v. Wade; safe, legal abortion on demand without apology
- Repeal the Hyde Amendment
- Overturn state barriers to reproductive choices
- Stop forced sterilization
- No to caged kids, forced assimilation, & child welfare abuses
- End medical & environmental racism; for universal healthcare
- Defend queer & trans families
- Guarantee medically sound sex education & affordable childcare
- Sexual self-determination for people with disabilities
- Uphold social progress with expanded voting rights & strong unions

Ask your AFSCME local to endorse the National Mobilization for Reproductive Justice. Partial list of endorsers: Alphabet Workers Union CWA Local 1400, American Federation of Government Employees Local 3197, Communication Workers of America Local 7800, Cornish Federation of Teachers AFT4169, Freedom Socialist Party, Fuerza Mundial Global, Gender Justice League, Georgia NOW, Labor for Black Lives Collective - Seattle, Metro Justice, National Organization for Legal Services Workers UAW 2320, Newark Education Workers Caucus, Oregon Coalition of Black Trade Unionists, Organized Workers for Labor Solidarity, Radical Women, Raging Grannies Action League, South Dakota NOW, Trabajadoras por la Paz, United Auto Workers Local 4121, Unitarian Universalists of San Francisco Human Rights Working Group, Washington Federation of State Employees Local 304, and more!

To work together on union action for abortion, contact National Mobilization for Reproductive Justice,

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Updates, endorsement form and organizing calendar at ReproJusticeNow.org



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