Greetings to Labor Notes activists from
the National Mobilization for Reproductive Justice

Abortion rights are
labor’s fight!

The right to reproductive self-determination has been continuously under siege despite the Supreme Court’s Roe v. Wade ruling that legalized abortion a generation ago. This month, the court will issue a decision that is expected to overturn Roe. More than 25 states will immediately outlaw abortion if Roe falls.

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 and health care.

Deciding whether and when to have children is a basic human right. 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.

Call on unions to build a winning strategy

The fight for reproductive justice needs the numbers, militancy and know-how of organized labor. And labor needs the energy of people rising up to defend bodily autonomy. As unionists and militant advocates of reproductive justice, let’s work together to motivate unions to call a national conference of working women, feminists and community allies to strategize how to preserve these vital rights. We are stronger fighting together. And strongest when we wage a multi-faceted effort with leadership of the most oppressed, whose lives depend on winning long-term gains, not piecemeal reforms.

The National Mobilization for Reproductive Justice is a growing coalition of unions, groups and individuals. Join us to fight for the intersectional demands that are our basis for unity:

- 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


To work together on union action for abortion, contact National Mobilization for Reproductive Justice, 206-985-4621, RW.US@radicalwomen.org

Updates and organizing calendar at ReproJusticeNow.org

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