



**Remember Rosie Jiménez**

# **National Mobilization for Reproductive Justice**

**Make your voice heard**

**Sun., Oct. 3, 2021**

**the anniversary of Jiménez' death  
from a back-alley abortion**



Rosie died of an unsafe abortion on October 3, 1977 after the Hyde Amendment banned federal funds from covering the procedure.

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Dear Workers and Unionists,

This is the time to exert collective labor power to save abortion rights in the U.S.! With vicious rollbacks in many states and the very real possibility that *Roe v. Wade* could be overturned when the U.S. Supreme Court rules on *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* in Mississippi, on-the-ground mobilizations are needed to convince the court that working women will not give up the right to control our bodies.

Please join Radical Women and other community organizations in building a **calendar of coordinated actions for reproductive justice on October 3**. That is the date in 1977 when Rosie Jiménez became the first person known to die of a back-alley abortion after the Hyde Amendment denied federal funds for the procedure. October is also the beginning of the U.S. Supreme Court's fall term. **Well-publicized actions across the country by rank-and-file workers, retirees, unions and community groups** will show the intensity of public support for this issue and build on existing labor efforts such as [union participation in the ROE Act Coalition](#) to protect and expand abortion access in Massachusetts. Each local organizing group can decide the approach and focus of their particular action — a march, a zoom conversation, a film showing — you name it.

There has been an exciting response from groups and individuals around the country who want to be part of this effort. Together, we have shaped the following demands and focus:

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*Rally – March – Speak Out – Take Action*

- Protect & 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**
- Uphold social progress with expanded voting rights & strong unions**



Please talk to your union, caucus or group about coming on as an endorser. Endorsers are asked to support the demands, publicize and promote the campaign, and participate in a local action to the best of their ability. [Download the endorsement form here](#) and send in as soon as possible so we can add your name to the beautiful poster designed by Bay Area artist Marcelo Potosí.

Join with others to shape and build a massive chorus of voices for reproductive justice on Sunday, October 3. **Contact me to discuss the campaign** and let me know if your union would like endorse and participate. I look forward to hearing from you. I can be reached at: 630-649-0628 (mobile, Chicago area) or [RadicalWomenUS@gmail.com](mailto:RadicalWomenUS@gmail.com).

**You or a representative of your group are invited to participate in the national Zoom meetings to build the coordinated effort on [Sunday, September 12](#) and [Sunday, September 26](#) at 3pm PT/5pm CT/6pm ET.**

In solidarity,

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