Isbah Raja: Hi everyone. We’re going to get started in just a minute. My name is Isbah Raja. I'm a regional and state and local director for Resist and Win. Welcome to tonight's call. It's going to be great.

Isbah Raja: While we're waiting for people to join the call, we're going to do a quick poll. So question, how have you been helping to connect with others, with voters, around the midterm elections? If you have joined a canvass, press one. If you have phone banked, press two. If you have sent texts to voters, press three. If you haven't reached out to voters yet, but will commit to get out the vote in the next two days, press four.

Isbah Raja: Wow, so many of you have already taken action. Again, I'm Isbah Raja with MoveOn and we're just about to get started. Thank you so much for being on the line.

Isbah Raja: Again, the poll is how have you been helping to connect with voters about the midterm elections. If you have joined a canvass, press one. If you have phone banked, press two. If you have sent texts to voters, press three. And if you haven't reached out to voters yet but you're going to commit to get the vote out in the next two days, just press four.

Ilya Sheyman: Well, good evening, everyone. I'm Ilya Sheyman, executive director of MoveOn Political Action and thank you so much for joining tonight’s Resist and Win National Organizing Call. Election day, Tuesday, November 6th is almost here so we're going to keep tonight's call short. I know many of you listening and watching are taking a break from connecting directly with voters right now and we won't keep you long. But stay tuned for the next half hour to hear directly from two champions in the U.S. Senate, Elizabeth Warren and Kamala Harris, and to find out how you can still take action and help power the blue wave that will end GOP control of Congress and elect a whole set of progressive champions at the state and local level.

Ilya Sheyman: So we'll get to the program soon, but I've got a couple of quick announcements first. First of all, many thanks to everyone who calls in, who streams on the Facebook Live, or who watches from our website. And a special thanks to everyone who took action after the last call. Thousands of you helped contact voters in the days after our last call and more than 400 people hopped immediately over to an emergency phone bank when the call ended.

Ilya Sheyman: Tonight is the last of our Countdown to the Election Resist and Win calls, but it's a continuation of the larger Sunday night National Organizing Calls. Since the Trump administration began, we've held more than two dozen calls, each bringing in tens of thousands of people. More than 70,000 people tuned into last weeks calls.
Ilya Sheyman: And many thanks to Daily Kos, the Center for Popular Democracy, to People for the American Way, and Ultraviolet for supporting this call and others.

Ilya Sheyman: We'll get started in just a couple minutes, but, again, if you're just joining, welcome to tonight's Resist and Win National Organizing Call. I'm Ilya Sheyman of MoveOn and we’re so pleased to have you with us on the phone, streaming on line and watching the Facebook live.

Ilya Sheyman: Because tonight's call is short so folks can take part in talking directly to voters tonight, we're not going to have a question and answer session on this call. But stay tuned, we'll have Q&A again on future calls. So tonight we'll hear from speakers who will dig into this important pivotal moment for the country. You'll hear about ways to get involved in these final days, no matter where in the country you live, and even if you've only got a little bit of time to spare.

Ilya Sheyman: Now, with election day coming up on Tuesday, here's where things stand. The state of play is that control of the U.S. House is really on a knife's edge. One prognosticator at the Cook Report has 48 toss up races where either party has a good shot of winning and another 65 competitive races, meaning there are more than 100 House districts in play, just two days out from the election.

Ilya Sheyman: We need to defeat approximately two dozen Republicans to end GOP control of the House. In the past week, there have been polls even showing signs of the possibility for a large wave, perhaps the largest gains in the House since post-Watergate. To give you one example, progressive candidate, Jeff King, is polling down only four points in Pennsylvania in a district that includes a county that, literally, has never voted for a Democrat in history.

Ilya Sheyman: And there are also important Senate and gubernatorial races that are all within the margin of error all across the country. To give you a sense of how close it is out there, in Georgia, where MoveOn-endorsed champion Stacey Abrams is running an extraordinary campaign for governor, a poll released on Friday showed the race at 46.9% for Stacey Abrams and her Republican opponent at 46.7%. Effectively, a complete tie. So here's the thing, two days out, polls don't matter any more. We could have a massive wave that sweeps the GOP out of power, or we could still fall short. These are field margins. These are persuasion margins. These are exactly the kind of conditions under which all of us, knocking on doors, calling or texting voters, or reaching out to family, friends, or neighbors can make the difference. It all comes down to what all of us do over the next two days. If we organize all the way up until polls close in Alaska and Hawaii on Tuesday night, we will win.

Ilya Sheyman: On tonight's call we'll hear again from Resist and Win state and local regional election director, Isbah Raja, who will give some insights and updates into the massive election program that will help end GOP control of Congress.
We'll also hear from Senator Kamala Harris from California. Senator Harris has been a champion of the Dream Act and criminal justice reform and reproductive justice and has stood together with communities that Donald Trump has targeted since day one of his presidency. She's been an extraordinary advocate for progressive values every day in the U.S. Senate.

Again, welcome to this call and now we're going to get started with our first speaker. I'd love to welcome to this call, Senator Elizabeth Warren from Massachusetts. Senator Warren has spent her life fighting for working families to have a fighting chance in a system that's rigged too often for those at the top. Among her many accomplishments, Senator Warren successfully led the fight to create the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, and the last two years she's used her position in the Senate to persist and resist the Trump administration at every turn. Welcome, Senator Warren.

Thank you very much. Ilya, I am so glad to be here. Thank you, thank the MoveOn team, thank everybody who's contributing to this call right now. So I love the title of this, Resist and Win, because that's what it's time to do now. I don't have to tell anybody on this call, but it's a sobering reminder. Republicans control the House. Republicans control the Senate and all I have to say about that is "Tick tock, tick tock." We've got two days to go and two days to win it back. So my re-election campaign here in Massachusetts has been all about leveling the playing field for working families and making sure that government works not just for the rich and the powerful, but that government works for everyone else. And I know that a lot of other Democrats around the country, including a lot of first time candidates have been delivering the same message and that's why, I believe, Democrats are in such a good position to take a lot of ground on November 6th.

I want to remind everybody about what's at stake by remembering a year ago this past summer. I stood on the floor of the United States Senate when the House had already voted to take away healthcare from tens of millions of Americans, had already voted, to say it's fine for insurance companies to discriminate against people with pre-existing conditions. Had already voted to roll back big chunks of Medicaid. That's two out of every three seniors in a nursing home or your neighbor who uses a wheelchair and needs a home health aid so she can live in her home instead of having to go to an institution or your niece's baby that was born with complex medical needs and ran up a million dollars in medical bills in the first few weeks. Even if mom and dad and mom and dad and dad have insurance, they still need Medicaid for those babies to have a chance to live their full lives.

So I stood there on the floor of the United States Senate when healthcare hung by one single vote. And that night we prevailed. You may remember that because you all were a huge part of why we prevailed. But we don't kid ourselves. The Republicans turned right around, they're trying to knock the legs
out from underneath it and they have already announced, quite publicly, that if they get the votes, they’re coming back after healthcare again. Healthcare and so much more.

Eliz. Warren: I remind you of that because I remind you every one of these calls you make, every time you’re in for a candidate, that could be the one candidate who makes the difference in healthcare for millions of people, makes the difference in whether or not social security gets cut to pay for the Republican tax give away, makes the difference in whether or not we can move a bill to try to reduce the student loan interest rate, or a bill to try to protect our climate, or a bill on gun safety. Every piece of that could turn on one vote.

Eliz. Warren: So at this point, six years ago, I was somebody who had never run for office before. The polls were showing me up a point, me down a point. My Republican opponent up two points, back and forth, back and forth. And at the end of the day, it was the volunteers, the field team, that came in and said, "Look, Elizabeth, we know you’ve given it everything you can. You just fight it to dead even and we’re going to pull you across the finish line. We’re going to do it by just outworking the other side. We’re going to make more phone calls. We’re going to stay at it longer. We’re going to be there and we’re going to make this happen." Because it really is, at this point, it's down to the field, it's down to turn out, it's down to getting people on the phone and getting them to the polls. At the end, there it was, tied, tied, tied, going in.

Eliz. Warren: I ended up beating my Republican incumbent, popular guy, by seven and a half points and I did it because of you. Because MoveOn and Kos and so many others said we're in this with you all the way. We can make this happen. We can make it happen together. So when Ilya said, "Would you like to talk to the folks?" I said, "You bet I do!" When we're two days out, this is our chance. This is our chance. I know it's two more days of cold pizza and warmed over coffee and however it is you do it, but please, this is a chance to get more involved. Turn off the TV, knock 50 doors. Don't scroll through social media. Use that phone to call some voters. We have a chance to make up the difference before the polls close on Tuesday night. Two more early mornings. Two more late nights. Two more days of really hard work.

Eliz. Warren: I don't want to wake up on the day after the election and say "There's a little bit more I might have done that would have made a difference." I don't know about you all, but boy, I'm going to leave it all on the playing field. I am in this 100%. I am grateful to how far all of you have carried it to get us to this point. And I am completely convinced if we really put our shoulders to it over the next two days, we can do this. We can win. We get what we fight for. That's how I see it.

Ilya Sheyman: Wonderful. Thank you so much, Senator Warren, for joining us and for all you’re doing in the U.S. Senate. Now, in a moment we're going to hear from Senator Kamala Harris, but first I want to share one quick opportunity for everyone on
the call to take action tonight as soon as the call ends. All you need is a smart phone and a computer or tablet to get set up.

Ilya Sheyman: Just like last week, right after the call, we're going to have an opportunity for an emergency phone bank to support progressive candidates in tight races. We'll be making calls to candidates in western time zones, so even if you're on the east coast, you can make calls tonight to start talking to voters. Last week more than 400 people joined the emergency phone bank. I want to see if we can top that today.

Ilya Sheyman: So to get set up, we're going to do a quick poll. If you vote in this poll, you'll get a text message with a link right after this call ends to get started in making calls on the dialer. So if you can make calls to voters tonight, right after this call ends, please press one on your phone right now. Again, if right after this call ends you can make calls to voters in key districts tonight, please press one on your phone.

Ilya Sheyman: Wow, seeing the numbers rise. So incredible. So inspiring. We already have close to double what we had last week with 743 folks committed to making calls right when this call ends. Keep pressing one. If you press one, we'll make sure you get a text message right after this call to get started on the dialer. Thanks so much again to everyone who's hopping on the phones tonight. Now I want to hand it over to our next speaker. We're going to hear in a moment from Senator Kamala Harris from California.

Ilya Sheyman: Senator Harris has been a champion on the Dream Act, on criminal justice reform, and reproductive justice and she stood together with communities that Donald Trump has targeted since day one of his presidency. She's been an extraordinary advocate for progressive values every single day in the U.S. Senate and we're so thrilled to have her here today. Welcome, Senator Harris.

Kamala Harris: Thank you and it's so great to be with everyone. First of all, I want to thank everyone for all of the work that you've put into getting us to this point where we are two days before one of the most important elections of our lifetime. And it is all of the work you have done of organizing and educating voters and helping candidates that has created the incredible energy that I've seen in states around our country. It's really very exciting and so this is now the sprint part of that marathon and sprint we will.

Kamala Harris: Listen, this, as we all know, it's an inflection moment in the history of our country. This is a moment that reminds me of the time when my parents met back when they were active in the civil rights movement in the 1960s. I think this is a moment that is requiring us each and collectively as a country to look in the mirror and ask this question, "Who are we?" And I think what we all know is we are better than this. We are better than this. And so this is a moment to fight for the best of who we are and the way we are going to fight is to make sure that we get folks out to vote, that they know the power of their voice when they
vote and we will vote in office the people who reflect the values that are in the best interest of the majority of the people in our country and we will vote out of office those people who want to do things like deny everyone access to healthcare. Because that's one example of the stakes being so high. The Republican party has vowed that if they prevail in this election that they're going to continue to try and rip away healthcare and eliminate protections as relates to pre-existing conditions.

Kamala Harris: As far as I'm concerned, if somebody wants to vote away your access to healthcare, we need to vote them out of office. So there's a lot on the line. There's a lot at stake and what we're going to do is we're going to fight. We're going to fight understanding that there are people who walk around talking about "Oh the economy is doing great. The economy is doing great." And then you ask, "How are you measuring that?" "The stock market is going up." Well, yeah, that's fine if you own a stock. You can ask them again, "Well, how are you measuring the economy?" "Well, the unemployment numbers are down." Well, that means nothing to the millions of workers who are working two, sometimes three, jobs just to make ends meet. That means nothing when we know that more than half of Americans are a $500 emergency away from financial catastrophe.

Kamala Harris: So there's a lot on the line, especially when we have the Republican party push this tax bill that the President signed that gives permanent tax breaks to corporations and, on average, $50,000 more a year to the top 1% but doesn't do anything for the working families in a way that they need help.

Kamala Harris: So [inaudible 00:18:14] matters. This election matters. Elections matter. We can sit back and we can complain or we can act because elections matter. When someone wins they get to make the rules. They get to push their policies. If we don't like the policies, if we don't like the way they're playing the game, let's vote them out of office. Elections matter.

Kamala Harris: And so the last point is this. This moment will, at some point, it will pass. I promise you that. And years from now our children, our grandchildren, others are going to look at each one of us and they're going to look us in our eyes and they're going to ask us where were you at that inflection moment. And what I know all of us as part of MoveOn are going to be able to say is one, we were all together in this fight and we're going to be able to tell people, not only how we felt at this moment, we will tell them what we did. We will tell them what action we took. We will tell them that we volunteered in these last two days. We will tell them that we, personally, voted and we got everyone we knew to vote. We will tell them that we walked the streets, knocking on doors, driving people to the polls, doing everything in our power to fight for the best of who we are. We will tell them that if it is worth fighting for, it is a fight worth having. If it's worth fighting for, it's a fight worth having. And this country is worth fighting for.
These issues are worth fighting for and so fight we will and we'll fight by making sure everybody votes.

Kamala Harris: So thank you all. Let's get out there. Let's get to work and I know we can do this. And thank you again.

Ilya Sheyman: Wow, thank you so much for joining the call, Senator Harris. And thanks for all you do every single day in the United States Senate.

Kamala Harris: We're all in it.

Ilya Sheyman: Wonderful, thanks again. With that, let me hand this over to our final speaker, Isbah Raja. Isbah, so glad to have you here. Isbah is a state and local regional director under the Resist and Win team. She's been working for months to train volunteers, connect with voters, and do everything in our power to end GOP control of the House. Isbah, thanks so much for joining the call.

Isbah Raja: Awesome. Thank you so much. Hi everyone, I'm Isbah Raja. I'm state and local regional director for Resist and Win and I'm truly honored to be on this call with y'all tonight. This year, with your help and hard work, together we've created and executed MoveOn [inaudible 00:20:44] most expansive and powerful electoral program in its history. We have endorsed in over a hundred congressional races and endorsed over 100 state and local candidates. Not only that, we're supporting an incoming group of leaders that reflect our community and bring in the experiences of all Americans. This slate of candidates is young. It is progressive. It is woman led and it is people of color led. And we've done a lot together.

Isbah Raja: We've put money and people power behind these progressive champions. We've held wave events, contacting tens of thousands of voters in important races all across the country, from local and state races to the district that will determine who controls Congress. We've raised over a million dollars for black women candidates. This is crucial because if progressives want to remain a viable option in elections to come, it's time to stop relying on black women to vote to save the country. It's time for us to support them in leading it.

Isbah Raja: We've launched the Real Voters Voices Project, where MoveOn members have shared their personal stories with their communities. It's a new tactic that we know is making an impact. We've reached out to 26 million voters in 89 congressional districts, 12 senate races and 10 gubernatorial races.

Isbah Raja: Not only that, we hosted a national summit to train and organize leaders and members from all across the country. You all are incredible and we are all doing this incredible work together. To be honest, though, I know that this work is hard. I feel it, too. I hold the stress of it in my shoulders at all times. I always fear for my parents to immigrated to this country for a better life for their children.
These past two years, under this administration, have taken their toll on me, the ones I love and everyone I know. But what gives me strength is knowing that we are doing this work because of those that came before us and those that stand with us now.

Isbah Raja: I think of those in the civil rights movement, those that fought for LGBTQ rights at Stonewall. I think of the women who fought for immigrant rights for years, decades, and centuries. I think of the people who have built and grown the movement for Black Lives. I think of Tarana Burke who started the Me Too movement. I think of you and the members and volunteers I’ve met this year all across the country. We stand on the shoulders of those that came before us and those who are doing this work in the present day.

Isbah Raja: That gives me strength and gets me up every single day. We are part of this movement that is fighting for the very soul of our country. We have the opportunity to elect to represent the diversity of communities they come from, up and down the ballot, to elect the most diverse congress and to elect the first black man to be governor in Florida with the first black woman to be governor in this country's history.

Isbah Raja: Our work is not just pushing back against this administration, it is pushing even further than that. So in these last few days, just think about that. Take that with you. Think about what we are doing and can do together. So let’s do it. Sign up to phone bank or attend a wave on election day. We have two more days to change the very trajectory of this country.

Isbah Raja: So on election day, vote for Democrats and progressives up and down the ballot and watch races like Andrew Gillum in Florida, Stacey Abrams in Georgia, Lauren Underwood in Illinois, Katie Porter in California, and J.D. Scholten in Iowa. These are candidates we can be proud of. Let's pull through in these last two days. We are going to win and you will be the reason why, because of your hard work and vote.

Isbah Raja: So will you join a volunteer wave event in the next two days? Will you commit to joining me in your congressional or swing district at a MoveOn wave or volunteer before or on election day so we can end GOP control of the House?

Isbah Raja: Press one on your phone if you will attend a voter contact wave event near you tomorrow. Press two on your phone if you will attend a wave event on Tuesday. Thank you all so much for everything you have done. Back to you, Ilya.

Ilya Sheyman: Great, thanks Isbah and thanks so much everyone. A couple quick announcements. Be sure to go to MoveOn.org/waves to find a voter event near you. Again, that's MoveOn.org/waves. To join the emergency phone bank right after this call, go to MoveOn.org/callfromhome and if you had a chance to press one earlier, you should get a text message right after this call as well.
Ilya Sheyman: Now, later this evening, we'll post the audio recording, the live stream link and the PDF of the slide show to MoveOn.org/resistandwincalls. A transcript of this call will also be available on that page by Wednesday. Yes, that's the day after the election.

Ilya Sheyman: Now we've got just about 48 hours now until polls close all across the country. And in this moment, I think back to two years ago, to that moment on the morning of November 9th, as I'm sure was the case for many of us, my cell phone was flooded with text messages and voice mails from people all across the country, from people I knew all over my life asking, "Wait, what can I do? How can I stop this? Is this real? What can I do? Just tell me how to plug in." But, of course, it was too late. Trump had already won the election. So my ask here is this, don't wake up on Wednesday wishing you'd done more. If we do our part together over these final two days, we can help pull the emergency brake on Trump and his enablers in the GOP at the federal level and we can elect a whole slate of inspiring progressive candidates up and down the ballot all across the country.

Ilya Sheyman: So thank you so much for all you've done these past two long years and also thank you for all you'll do between now and when polls close Tuesday night. In the words of Andrew Gillum in Florida, let's bring it home.