Karine J-P: Hello, everybody. Welcome, welcome, welcome. Thank you for joining the Resist and Win national organizing call. Happy Sunday to everyone who is dialing in. My name is Karine Jean-Pierre. I am Move On's spokesperson and senior advisor and I'm so happy to be back to host another Sunday night national organizing call with all of you. We've got a spectacular line up tonight. We'll get started in just a few minutes, but before we do that, I'm going to share a couple of quick notes with all of you and so here we go.

Karine J-P: First I wanted to say hello to everyone who is joining Resist and Win national organizing call for the first time. Welcome if you're just dialing in for the first time. Thank you so much for joining us and spending your Sunday with us tonight. Really appreciate your time. I know it's the end of a weekend and folks are getting ready for Monday so appreciate your precious time. And welcome back to all of the folks who have been before.

Karine J-P: Over the last 16 months, we've had more than 20 calls. Last week more than 50,000 people joined us between participating on the call or following along on Facebook. You're all amazing. We really truly appreciate you. Together we're building a community of progressives who are working hard to change the course of this country, build power for and in our communities and end GOP control of Congress this November.

Karine J-P: I also want to make sure I thank all of our partners for holding this call with us, along with the organizations represented tonight. Big thank yous, very, very big thank you to Daily Kos, Center for Popular Democracy, Ultra Violet and the National Domestic Workers Alliance. Tonight you'll hear from movement leaders on what's at stake in this current political movement and we'll all share the plan for how we will win in November and end GOP control of the House.

Karine J-P: So again, welcome to everyone joining us for the first time and for those who have been on that national organizing calls before, welcome, welcome back. Thank you again for joining us again this Sunday. So last week we heard from movement leaders about some important ways to take action. Since that call, thousands of MoveOn members and call participants sent in personal selfie videos to the Real Voter Voices project, signed up to host and attend MoveOn Wave Voter Contact events and delivered messages directly to Wells Fargo, J.P. Morgan Chase demanding they stop literally financing the family separation crisis. Thank you for all of you who did that for the families that are being separated and still being locked up in cages.

Karine J-P: Over the last few months, we've been hard at work to win big in November. Nationally we've endorsed more than 100 candidates for seats currently held by Republicans in the U.S. House of Representatives and more than 100 candidates in states down the ballot. From governor to utility commissioners to city council, we found an unprecedented wave of progressive power bubbling up during the primaries and now we've got to move that energy into powering a blue wave that will end Republican control of Congress and elect people who stand with us.
to build strong safe communities where everybody can thrive. Let's see, right now, we are at well over 5,000 people on the call and thousands streaming online. So welcome again to everyone.

Karine J-P: And here's why I'm heartened to have so many people on the call tonight. We have a lot of work to do in the next 44 days, folks, just 44 days. We're almost there. And it's going to take all of us to get there, to get to that big win in November. We cannot do it alone and we need all of you who are calling in for the first time and who have called in before, whether you're watching the reckless right wing efforts to push through a Supreme Court nominee and dismiss a survivor or sexual assault, outrage at the ongoing attack on immigrants, or vigilant for Trump attempts to put himself above the law. It's clear the stakes in this moment are so incredibly high. This election is about taking on a big system that's been working for Trump and his big money corporate and billionaire donors. It's about fighting back against attacks on our communities and it's about feeling a progressive large scale movement, so mighty that we sweep Republicans out of Congress with candidates who will fight for single payer health care, immigrant rights, criminal justice reform, living wages, environmental justice, diplomacy and so much more.

Karine J-P: I'm sure many of you have watched the back and forth about Senate Judiciary Committee's efforts to dismiss a sexual assault survivor and we'll be hearing more about the fight over the Supreme Court later in the call. But on Friday, news also broke that administration officials had discussed removing Trump from office, putting us on a high alert that Trump might try to end the Mueller investigation once and for all. It's a reminder that even as we grapple with the issues of defining this election, in the next 40 days, we could also be facing an imminent constitutional crisis.

Karine J-P: This administration has frequently shown its eagerness to attack one of the core principles of our democracy, a system of checks and balances. A New York Times article published on Friday alleged that Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein suggested he could secretly record meetings with Trump and use those recordings to trigger the 25th Amendment, which provides a path for removing a president from office who is unfit to serve. Rosenstein denies the allegation and there are conflicting reports on whether those comments were sincere or sarcastic. But we know, we very much know, that Trump has wanted to fire Rosenstein as a way to end or undermine the Mueller investigation into Russia interference into our election back in 2016. And this latest news could be the excuse that he needs to do just that, which is end the Mueller probe. Rosenstein is Special Counsel Robert Mueller's boss. If Rosenstein gets fired, Trump will likely install a yes man to oversee the investigation, one who would effectively stop or derail Mueller's work. This gives Trump a path to not only fire Mueller but put obstacle after obstacle in front of the investigation and even to hide the investigation's conclusions from the public.
Karine J-P: If you can imagine having a boss that is blocking your work at every turn, actively rooting against you and making sure your job is as hard as possible, that's what the investigation [inaudible 00:07:39] and Trump installs a yes man to oversee the investigation.

Karine J-P: This is a potential constitutional crisis, everyone, which is why MoveOn and its partner groups has set up Nobody is Above the Law, a network of 1,000 events and more than 400,000 participants ready to spring into action if Trump fires Mueller or Rosenstein. But this is also a reminder that Trump administration is ruthless in defiance of the law, which brings us to the other issue on our mind this week.

Karine J-P: There's a Supreme Court fight. Trump and the Republicans are trying to ignore sexual assault allegations and install a judge who is against our reproductive rights, LGBTQ rights, and environmental regulations and who thinks a president is above the law. Family separations. The Trump administration has challenged court orders to treat families and children with respect and he's stacking the justice system with whoever he wants, unchecked power and aggression toward our communities. When we set out to discuss how families rising together to confront the attacks on our communities and help win the midterm elections, we knew how many issues affect us across generations. From family separation to healthcare to gun violence, with the one two punch of the ongoing Kavanaugh news and the Rosenstein revelations, remind us more than ever that Trump and Republicans are fueling as politics of dysfunction and corruption that possess real threats to all of us. This affects everyone, even our young family members have a role in protecting the checks and balances built into our democracy.

Karine J-P: So that brings us to our call this evening. And once again, I know some of you are still dialing in, so thank you so much for joining us first timers and people who have returned. Our first speaker is Alyssa Hackerson, a MoveOn Resist and Win leader from Prince William County in Virginia. She's been organizing in her community to elect progressives and is so excited to share her experience with you and share her tips as well. After Alyssa, we'll have Shaunna Thomas, a co-founder of the women's rights organization, UltraViolet, will give us more insight into the fight to save the Supreme Court and what you can do to stop Trump's Supreme Court nominee, Brett Kavanaugh, from shifting the Supreme Court to the right for years to come, effectively cementing the worst of Trump's policies. Then we have Ai-jen Poo, executive director, National Domestic Workers Alliance, NDWA, and co-director of Caring Across Generations, who will share the latest update on the family separation crisis and the latest way to get involved with the massively impactful Families Belong Together campaign which has mobilized hundreds of thousands of people across the country to push back against Trump's cruel, zero tolerance, zero humanity policy taking us into a humanitarian crisis.
Karine J-P: After Ai-jen, my colleague, Michelle Slaughter, who’s our Resist and Win regional organizing manager will share some tips in a quick training on how you can get involved with your whole family, from the youngest to the oldest members in the important one on one voter outreach work that’s going to switch this election.

Karine J-P: And as a quick reminder, people are joining this call on the phone via web pass and on Facebook Live. If you’re on the phone, press *3 to ask a question and one of our screeners will work to get to you. You could also go to MoveOn.org/resistandwincall to listen to this call live on your computer or device and watch the slide presentation there. Now let’s get to it. Let’s get going. Let’s move this call along. We’re going to start with Alyssa Hackerson, Alyssa Hackerson is a MoveOn-

Alyssa H.: Thanks, Karine.

Karine J-P: I was just going to give you another intro, Alyssa. Go for it, you have it. The floor is yours.

Alyssa H.: Thanks, Karine. I’m so excited to be on this call tonight. My name is Alyssa Hackerson. I live in Prince William County, Virginia, and I’m a Resist and Win leader. Tonight I’m going to share a big about what that means and why I’ve stepped up this election.

Alyssa H.: I’ve been politically engaged for many years with family. My husband and I took our kids into the voting booth with us until they were old enough to vote on their own. Me and my middle-school aged daughter, who is now 21, knocked on doors and talked to voters during Obama’s second campaign, and last Sunday, I took my 17 year old son on his first door to door canvas. I’ve been getting MoveOn emails for at least a decade, have signed petitions and donated money. I never thought about doing more until this year when I got a text from a regional Resist and Win organizer asking if I’d step into a leadership role. And without thinking too much about it, I replied that I would. And then I panicked.

Alyssa H.: I wasn't sure if I'd have enough time, enough support, or if I wanted to do something that was a bit out of my comfort zone. But then I thought about how I could strike back against Trump’s divisive rhetoric and abuses against humanity. And I have a very deeply personal reason, too. My sons are 17 and 24 and when they were babies, everyone thought they were beautiful. And now that they're older, they're still beautiful, but they're also potential targets for violence prone racists afraid of them because of their skin color. And boys and men who look like them have been victims of shoot first, ask questions later law enforcers.

Alyssa H.: Instead of tamping down on racial violence and demanding better law enforcement training and standards, Trump has created a safe harbor for bigots and racists. While he fans the flames of hatred, with support for good people on
both sides, I worry every day about the potential deadly consequences for my children and for every black mother's child.

Alyssa H.: Trump didn't create racial bias sentiment in America. His prejudice has just intensified the problem. I want to live in a safer country where crimes against citizens, especially when they're based on race, gender, sexual identity or economic class is condemned by our president and elected officials and is prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

Alyssa H.: And thinking about my sons and how high the stakes are for all of us, I realized it would be okay to be anxious about the Resist and Win opportunity. I used the anxiety as energy to propel me forward out of my comfort zone, realizing it's possible to be anxious and fearless. Through Resist and Win, I'm directly taking on Trump and sending the message that America demands better for everyone in our country. So with the support of the Resist and Win organizers, I put together my first wave.

Alyssa H.: A wave is an activity that reaches out directly to voters. As a wave host, I communicate regularly with my candidate's local field organizer to see what event I can host to support them. I register the event on MoveOn.Org/events, show it to the campaign office or designated meeting spot, welcome MoveOn volunteers, take photos of us in action and then I connect directly with voters by phone or in person.

Alyssa H.: Two weeks ago, I hosted my first wave for Vangie Williams, a MoveOn endorsed candidate running in Virginia's first district. The plan was to go door to door, but because rain was expected, I made a plan B to do phone banking. For me the coolest part of the wave was the time that MoveOn members and I spent getting to know each other before we began our work.

Alyssa H.: We discussed our motivations for campaigning for Vangie. And while we had different stories, there was one goal, to push back on Trump by turning the House blue. I was especially touched by a woman who said, "I'm not sure how I got here. All my life I thought I was a Republican." And I was so impressed by the couple who chose to go out canvassing in the rain while the rest of us stayed dry on the phones.

Alyssa H.: It was so empowering to bring people together to talk directly to voters. Despite having really great Resist and Win training this summer and hosting a well-attended Resist and Win potluck social, I was confused about what a wave should look like and how to put one together. You might be too if you're considering hosting a wave. But hang in there. MoveOn has organizers, training and online tools that make it really simple. My regional organizer, Zac, has been super supportive and he answers all of my questions.
Alyssa H.: In setting the events up in my host dashboard has been very straightforward. As long as your waves is submitted on deadline, MoveOn does the heavy lifting of promoting it to local MoveOn members.

Alyssa H.: Okay, so finally, I have a few tips for your wave. First, don't forget to invite friends and family to your wave. Next, not everyone who RSVPs shows up. For the best attendance possible, do at least these three things. Send a reminder email the day before, follow your email up with a personal phone call, and on the day of your event, send an "I'll see you soon" text. My third tip is to be aware that people may show up who did not RSVP online. Remember to get their contact information for future waves. Fourth, meet your wave groups somewhere close to the candidate's office before you start campaign work. Any public place should do.

Alyssa H.: I chose a Subway sandwich shop for my first wave. This ensures you can bond with MoveOn members in a relaxing environment without getting in the way of campaign staffers. My last tip, and I think maybe the most important one, is to make sure everyone feels included. The candidate's staff will set you up with what you need to reach out to voters. Your job as a host is to make sure people at the wave feel comfortable and supported.

Alyssa H.: Now, I hope you'll join me in stepping up and hosting or attending a wave. And we're doing a quick online poll. Wave events are happening all over the country now through the election and you're invited. Every volunteer counts this election. Will you commit to host a wave event in your congressional district or the closest swing district? If you'll commit on this call to host a wave event, please press 1.

Alyssa H.: Oh, cool, wow. So I see that right now, almost 200 people have already committed to host a wave. That's amazing. Thanks so much.

Karine J-P: Thank you so much, Alyssa. Really appreciate that. Your words of wisdom and from your experience. And I just want to remind everybody if you want to ask a question, please, on your phone, *3 and that will get that to us so we can try and get to everyone's question at the end when all of our movement leaders have spoken tonight. Thanks again for everybody joining. Thanks again for Alyssa and your wonderful, inspirational advice and your story.

Karine J-P: Now we're going to hear from Shaunna Thomas, co-founder of UltraViolet. Shaunna has been a leader in the movement for more than 15 years, building progressive infrastructure projects and winning critical policy fights at the national level. Shaunna, take it. Thank you for joining us.

Shaunna Thomas: Thank you so much. I'm thrilled to be here but I don't know that I have to tell anyone this, but everything about this struggle to keep radical conservative Brett Kavanaugh off the Supreme Court is coming to a head this week, but it certainly is. We are at an inflection point and the truth is, no one knows how it's
going to end, but regardless of how confident Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell might seem right now, momentum is, in fact, on our side. And it is going to be people like everyone on this call who are going to decide how this ends.

Shaunna Thomas: At the moment, the Stop Kavanaugh movement is on offense. Survivors are speaking out in huge numbers, online, in the streets, in the capitol. A Fox News poll even today showed that Kavanaugh continues to set records for being the most unpopular nominee in history. Women, in particular, are deeply opposed. And what that means is that Republicans, even in places like Arizona, Nevada, Alaska, maybe even Texas, they're seeing less and less upside to voting on Kavanaugh at all.

Shaunna Thomas: But here's the reality. Trump is going to throw everything at us to make it really hard to defeat his nominee, whether he's threatening to fire Rosenstein, taking really dangerous and anti-democratic positions while at the U.N., where he's supposed to be this week, or going after Dr. Blasey Ford, personally, as we saw him do on Friday. We have to stay vigilant and maintain pressure on our members of Congress. We cannot allow this administration to distract us or deter us. Trump will try to control the media narrative by creating chaos. It's just what he does and it's how his administration functions, as we've seen.

Shaunna Thomas: But that's not the only challenge we're going to face. At the same time, Senate Republicans have been, as people have seen, have treated Dr. Blasey Ford terribly and are laying the groundwork for a hearing that is designed to bully Dr. Blasey Ford, to put her in a position where she is on defense, as if she were going to a criminal trial. She is not.

Shaunna Thomas: They are going to put just enough mud in the water to make it okay for even the most vulnerable Republican to vote for Kavanaugh despite everything we now know about his character and his views. And that is why it is so crucial that, on Monday, every senator hear our message loud and clear. That they must reject Brett Kavanaugh's appointment to the Supreme Court. The more senators hear from us on this, the more likely it is that Kavanaugh is either withdrawn as the nominee or gets voted down. But it has to happen starting tomorrow and it has to continue all week.

Shaunna Thomas: The opportunity we have right now is to seize on the momentum that exists, to deter Republicans from continuing this disaster of a nominee and to shore up Democrats which is something, unfortunately, we still need to do. Right now, no matter how much mud the Senate Republicans drag Dr. Blasey Ford through, and in fact, because of it, this is the time to stand up for survivors. And for everyone who would be impacted by a judge like Kavanaugh on the Court, which, frankly, is everyone.
Shaunna Thomas: There are a lot of ways to demonstrate solidarity for Dr. Blasey Ford that are already out there, but starting tomorrow, it is both about demonstrating solidarity and demanding your Senator do the right thing.

Shaunna Thomas: One way to demonstrate that solidarity to say you stand with Dr. Blasey Ford and that you believe her is to participate in that national walk out that's happening at 1:00 p.m. Eastern, all over the country. To participate, all you need to do is dress in black and, if you're able, walk out of wherever you are. Tweeting about it, Facebooking about it is probably a good idea, too, so people know what you're doing and why.

Shaunna Thomas: The other extremely important action to take tomorrow and as I said, ideally every day, but at the very least, tomorrow, we need you to call your senator and tell them you want them to vote against his nomination.

Karine J-P: Thank you so much, Shaunna, for the amazing work that UltraViolet does every day on behalf of women, on behalf of all of us. And just to give everyone an update for our last poll, the first poll that we did, we got more than 400 people who committed to host a wave event in their congressional district or the closest swing district. So thank you, thank you for everyone who said yes to that, the hundreds and hundreds of you.

Karine J-P: Now we're going to go to our next poll. So for folks on the phone, like I said, we're going to take another quick poll and as Shaunna mentioned their actions for tomorrow morning when our senators come back to work or go back to work tomorrow morning, they need to hear from us and we need to send a very loud message. So poll number two, will you call your senator tomorrow morning and tell them to stop Kavanaugh? #StopKavanaugh. If you will set an alarm to call your senators tomorrow morning, press 1.

Karine J-P: And just to give you more information you can call 844-766-2707 and say please oppose the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court. So press 1 if you're going to set your alarm tomorrow morning to do that.

Karine J-P: Oh, wow. We have over ... Almost 2,000 people who said yes, that they will do that. That is fantastic. Thank you everybody, don't forget to set your alarm. Like I said you can call 844-766-2707 and say "Please oppose the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court" and let's make sure that senators on both sides of the aisle hear us very loud and clear tomorrow morning.

Karine J-P: Now we're going to move to our next movement leader, Ai-jen Poo is the executive director of National Domestic Workers Alliance and co-chair of Families Belong Together. She and her colleagues have passed domestic workers bills of rights protecting nannies, house cleaners and care givers in eight states, won minimum wage protections for two million home care workers and are on a mission to make our economy and our democracy work for women of
color, immigrant women and their families. So honored and excited to welcome Ai-jen.

Ai-jen Poo: Thanks so much for having me and thanks to MoveOn for bringing us together tonight. And especially to all of you who have been showing up and marching and fundraising and everything that you're doing to support migrant children and families in this really difficult time in our country. Your activism has made it possible for us to reunite hundreds of families and that is critical to remember, especially as these threats continue. Your activism matters. It's saving lives and our work is more important than ever because hundreds of children are still separated from their families and an unprecedented number of children are being held in detention. Many separated children are being classified as "unaccompanied minors" and kept apart from their families.

Ai-jen Poo: So there's a way in which this crisis is not only not ended, it is devolving and also expanding and it could be exacerbated by some of the new proposed rules that this administration has announced very recently.

Ai-jen Poo: Just yesterday, in fact, the Trump administration announced a new proposed rule potentially denying immigrants who legally use public benefits like food assistance and section eight housing vouchers access to green cards. Denying access to green cards for people who rely upon public assistance, food assistance, basic, basic assistance that many of us have relied upon.

Ai-jen Poo: This 447 page rule is a broad attack on families struggling with poverty or on the brink of poverty. It's designed to deny basic supports like food and healthcare and housing to all immigrants and their families and it names certain health conditions ... This is really important to note, too, health conditions like mental health issues, heart disease, and cancer as factors that will weigh against green card applications in the future. This incredible attack affects and estimated 20 million children and immigrant families including millions of U.S. citizen children.

Ai-jen Poo: At the National Domestic Workers Alliance, we represent a growing workforce of women who work in our homes, caring for our children as nannies, our parents as caregivers, they help maintain sanity in our chaotic homes as housekeepers and they’re disproportionately immigrant women and mothers. And like many of us, they're in jobs where they're expected to go above and beyond and yet not adequately compensated for their work. I think many of us in this economy can relate to that given that 70% of the workforce earns less than $50,000 per year. The vast majority of us in this country are working so hard and still unable to make ends meet. We all rely upon support and services to help us make it through tough times and this kind of a measure is really punishment for that simple reality of what it is to live and work in this economy.

Ai-jen Poo: It's unAmerican and it's unacceptable. And just two weeks before this announcement, this administration announced another proposal to expand its authority over the fate of children who are in detention. With the intention of
undermining the existing child protections mandated by U.S. courts in what's known as the Flores Agreement, the Trump administration is now seeking to expand its power to keep children and families detained indefinitely.

Ai-jen Poo: Both of these proposals exacerbate trauma in children and the family separation crisis. Parents are faced with impossible choices [inaudible 00:30:34] keeping their children safe, feeding and housing their children or being separated from them. Mothers are being punished for doing what every mother does, essentially whatever it takes to make sure that their children are safe and cared for.

Ai-jen Poo: Like we saw earlier this year with this administration's zero humanity policy at the border, there seems to just be no limit to the ways in which they are willing to harm children and families for their own political gain. And at that time, hundreds and thousands of us took action and that is what we must do again. We have the opportunity to stop these measures. In the short term we have a low window of 60 days to submit public comments and voice our outrage to stop these administrative and regulatory reforms from going forward. For more information on that, you can sign up at FamiliesBelongTogether.org. But make no mistake, these policies, our children and families are exactly what's at stake in this upcoming election. We have to register to vote. We have to remember to confirm that we are registered and to get everyone we know to do the same. Twenty million children are counting on us. Thanks so much. I'll hand it back to you, Karine.

Karine J-P: Thank you so much for that critical, incredibly important update, Ai-jen and all of the work that you're doing. Incredibly impressive and we're thrilled to partner with you in the work that you're doing and to have you on this call.

Karine J-P: We're going to move on to our next speaker. For folks who want to ask a question, please go to *3 on your phone and we will make sure that we do our best to try to get to your question.

Karine J-P: Now we're going to hear some tips for how your entire family can take action in this election. Michelle Slaughter is a regional organizing manager here at MoveOn. Nearly every week MoveOn workers and Resist and Win leaders are hosting events at waves, voter contact events that bring us together to talk to voters and get them to cast their ballots. Michelle has helped trained thousands of people, many who have never before taken action like this. So thank you so much, Michelle, for joining us tonight.

Michelle S.: Thanks, Karine. And thank you to everyone who has joined us for tonight's call. I'm a member of MoveOn's skills and training team and I'm super excited to share with you how you can get your whole family involved in our Resist and Win Voter Contact Program now until election day. As you already know, MoveOn is committed to ending GOP control of the House and supporting state and local progressive champions and really building power to win the future.
Michelle S.: And so it's going to take all of us doing what we can together to win on election
day and beyond. And as we all know, our family's future are at risk at this point
in time. And every day our family's well-being and future is under attack. And in
this election the stakes are as high for kids as they are for adults. It's a perfect
time to show kids why voting matters.

Michelle S.: And so we're encouraging parents to take their kids canvassing, to demonstrate
democracy in action. The GOP's control of the House continues to have an
intergenerational impact of families as well. And so in addition to taking your
kids to canvas, we are encouraging you to bring your parents, grandparents,
siblings, aunts, uncles, and cousins, too. So bring the whole family.

Michelle S.: Because there is power in families getting out to vote together. And many of us
might recall our parents or guardians taking us with them to vote. I know that I
do. My mom stressed the importance of voting my my brother and I at a young
age and, given the current state of affairs, my mom and I have actually attended
recently community forums together and we continue to find opportunities to
be politically engaged as a family. We do this because we want a better future
for my sweet nephew, Wesley, my mom's first grandchild.

Michelle S.: And my mom, too, knows that it will take all of us doing more to win in
November. And like my mom and I, Vicki Kaplan, MoveOn's organizing director,
believes in the power of families getting together to get out the vote.

Michelle S.: So during our recent wave event, Vicki actually asked her dad to join her at a
canvas. This was her dad's first time knocking on doors, which was super cool.
And so Vicki canvassing with her dad reminds us that people likely to join you
might be right in front of your face, but because you haven't done that together
before you wouldn't think to ask them. But as we all know, this is the year when
everyone has something at stake, so just asking them can actually open new
doors.

Michelle S.: So take a second right now and I want you to think about why you joined
tonight's call. There's so many reasons we are all right here right now. And some
of our reasons are deeply personal. Many of our reasons center around the well
being and future of those we love most. And these are the same reasons that
brought you here are the same reasons that will inspire members of your family
to join you whether it be knocking on doors, for older folks in your family in a
phone bank. And so we want to be able to give them the opportunity to say yes.
And so that's important that we actually ask them.

Michelle S.: Kate Sculley, our grassroots training director, something really funny to share
with me this week, she says we should think about those family members of
ours who are shaking their fist at the TV watching MSNBC and CNN, but have
never been asked to take action before or maybe they don't know how to take
action. Your invitation for them to join you at an upcoming wave event will
actually give them a chance to channel their passion and their concerns and to
getting out to vote in your community. And so I’m encouraging everyone on this call, regardless of your age, to invite your family to join you in this really important work from now until election day.

Michelle S.: And so we’ve walked throughout this call on why now is the right time to share the opportunity to make an impact together with your family. So I have a couple of tips to share for inviting your family to join you.

Michelle S.: First you want to make a list of the folks that you want to join you and your family. So write down their names and pick a time to reach out to them in the next 48 hours. And use this call as a way to create some urgency. Let them know that you joined tonight’s call and that they immediately came to mind when thinking about who in your family should join you.

Michelle S.: Second, reach out to them in the manner that you usually communicate. So you want to meet them where they are. If you normally talk on the phone, call them. If you usually text, text them. If you usually meet face to face and talk face to face, invite them in person.

Michelle S.: Third, briefly share why you are involved. Explaining why you are involved makes your invitation more approachable and relatable. And there’s so much power in sharing why you do this work and why it matters to you.

Michelle S.: Fourth, you want to share how getting involved could positively impact them. Making your invitation direct and personal to them will go a long way. Share the good that comes from them joining you in this work.

Michelle S.: And lastly, you want to share the power of working together to get out the vote. Thoughtfully share why doing this work together matters. Because as we all know, you both have a lot at stake in this election. And I also think it’s important to remember that this is not asking them to do a favor for you. You’re actually giving them an opportunity to make an impact with you. So definitely keep that in mind.

Michelle S.: And so lastly, I want to give a few do’s and don’ts for canvassing as a family. I know the idea of canvassing as a family might seem a bit daunting for some. So when you’re considering getting your kids involved, especially your younger kids, I highly encourage you to bring kids to a canvas and not to a phone bank.

Michelle S.: On our website you’ll see that our wave events should either be labeled as a canvas or a phone bank. So be sure that you’re registering to attend a canvas if you’re bringing your kids. So if you do canvassing as a family, you do want to bring snacks and water because of the relative age, doing this will keep your family members happy and nourished. You do want to assign individual responsibility. This is helpful to everyone in your family, but especially important when canvassing with kids. Based on age, younger kids can totally knock on the door or hand out campaign literature.
Michelle S.: You do want to share with your kids that you're talking to neighbors about making your community better. You want to keep it simple when talking to younger kids. You do want to inform the campaign of any mobility issues or concerns you might have. Whether this is navigating strollers while knocking doors or navigating stairs in a neighborhood, it's perfectly okay for you to work with a campaign and make sure that your door knocking list works for you and your family.

Michelle S.: And lastly, you want to have fun. So do have fun and do keep it simple. You want to keep energy high and positive.

Michelle S.: and as for don'ts, you don't want to knock on doors you feel uncomfortable about. I repeat, do not knock on doors you feel uncomfortable about. You want to trust your gut here. If it doesn't feel right, don't go knocking. And don't stay at a door too long. You want to maximize your family's time and energy and it's okay to pace yourself and pace your family while you're knocking on doors.

Michelle S.: As you heard earlier tonight, there are only 44 days left to make this happen. And as each of us steps up and does more to create the positive future we all deserve, I encourage you to step out of your comfort zone and invite your family to join you in helping end GOP control of the House and help to elect progressive champions up and down the ballot.

Michelle S.: I believe in you and your beautiful family. And so if you want to sign up to join, [inaudible 00:42:29] a wave in your area, you're going to go to moveon.org/waves, that's moveon.org/waves.

Michelle S.: And so we're going to take our third poll for the night. And so you're going to press 1 if this is the case. Will you sign up to attend a local wave event over the next two weeks and bring your family. If you will sign up to attend and bring your family, you're going to press 1 now.

Michelle S.: And so it looks like we have well over 200 ... oh wait, it just jumped. This is exciting. It just jumped to over 500 folks on this call who have committed to attending a local wave over the next two weeks and bringing their family. This is amazing and one way that we're going to be able to win in November. So I'm going to turn it back over to Karine.

Michelle S.: It looks like Karine just ... Her call just dropped off and she's calling back in. So I guess we can start with the Q & A.

Michelle S.: So I do see a question from Lesley from Greenville. Not sure where Greenville is but she asks how do I attend a wave event in my area? So, Lesley, this is a question I definitely can answer. So what you're going to do, you're going to go to moveon.org/waves, with an "s", and once you get there put in your ZIP code and it's going to show you where the nearest wave is. And if for some reason there's not a wave in your area, you can definitely sign up to host. You're going
to go to moveon.org/waves and that’s how you can sign up to attend and/or sign up to host a wave in your area. And I do believe that Karine is back on the line.

Karine J-P: Thank you, Michelle. I am so sorry about that. But yes, I am back. Thank you so much for your wonderful presentation and I am down with families registering together, canvassing together, and voting together. I think it’s all incredibly important to do. So Michelle was taking ... Thank you, Michelle, for doing that ... was taking questions on my behalf.

Karine J-P: But I want to say a couple of things and then I’ll jump back into questions. Is that you talked about a lot of things ... a lot of ways, I should say, you can make an impact. Host a wave event to help end GOP control of the House this November, which you can do that by visiting moveon.org/waves for more on that. Ensure your senators feel the pressure on Monday to stop Kavanaugh and save the Supreme Court by making a call tomorrow morning and you can visit moveon.org/scotus and go to moveon.org/vote to register to vote and confirm your registration which is incredibly important. As we’ve mentioned November 6th is 44 days away. So let’s get back to questions.

Karine J-P: And I really apologize for screwing up your first name here, but I’m going to go to Shengui in Atlanta, Georgia. Thank you so much for your question. How can we all come together to make sure he is not confirmed?

Karine J-P: So as Shaunna mentioned, UltraViolet and other groups are doing everything they can to make sure that our voices are heard, their voices are heard this week. There’s a walk out tomorrow at 1:00 p.m. to make sure that we’re showing solidarity in support of Professor Christine Blasey Ford.

Karine J-P: And I think one of the most important ways which I discussed with all of you earlier is to call your senators tomorrow. Make sure that you get on the phone. Set that alarm, get on the phone early tomorrow and let the senators know, on both the Republican and Democratic side, let them know to vote no on Kavanaugh, to stop the Kavanaugh confirmation process and that is really going to be the best way to do that. So call your senators, call them every day so we’re able to stop this.

Karine J-P: I’m going to go to the next question, Susie in California. What is the plan for the day after the rapid response [inaudible 00:48:14]? So right now what we have planned, and thank you for your question, Susie, is, as I mentioned if, indeed, Trump decides to end the Mueller probe by firing Rosenstein or Mueller himself, we ask everybody to go to TrumpIsNotAboveTheLaw.org. That is the best way you’re going to get all the information of what we’re doing to figure out what events to go to in your area. We will create it then and also what’s going to happen thereafter. So right now, the best thing to do is to go to that website, trumpisnotabovethelaw.org and just to make sure that you are aware of
everything that's happening and we just to just take to the streets. We absolutely have to take to the street if that happens.

Karine J-P: Okay, let's see. Next question, next question that we have here is Carol in Manhattan. I live in New York City. In the city we are mainly Democrats. Are there any areas near New York City that could use more help?

Karine J-P: I am going to pull in my colleague Michelle on that one. Michelle?

Michelle S.: Can you ask that question one more time for me, Karine?

Karine J-P: Yeah, absolutely. Absolutely. Carol asked a great question. I live in New York City. In the city we are mainly Democrats. Are there any areas near New York City that could use more help? And I'm sure that other people who live in Democratic large cities probably have similar questions across the country.

Michelle S.: Definitely. So what I would say for starters, you never know because there are lots of, what I would consider, more suburban type districts that could be within driving distance from New York City, so definitely check to see on moveon.org/waves to see if there happen to be something within driving distance or a train ride. Also I do know, next month there will be a weekend of action for state and local endorsed candidates that we've endorsed across the country and I'm pretty sure on an upcoming call there will be more information about that. So that's opportunity ... has as progressive champions [inaudible 00:50:58] within a car or a train ride from New York City.

Michelle S.: And then always if there's ... want to get more involved you can definitely reach out to us via the website because there's always ways to get more involved. We have text teams, for example and I know we're always looking for great volunteers there. So definitely look at our site, moveone.org/waves to see. Keep calling back in. I'm not sure which call that is coming up but there's definitely on maybe in two weeks I want to say, on the Sunday call, someone from our state and local team will be on the call and she will talk about that down ballot weekend of action where you could go out and do waves for our endorsed local candidates as well.

Karine J-P: Thank you, Michelle. Really appreciate your guidance and wisdom and thank you so much to everyone on the call who gave ... all of the movement leaders who gave their tips and their updates. Thank you to all of them. Michelle, Alyssa, Shaunnna, Ai-jen and thank you to all of you for joining this call once again for joining us this Sunday for those who have joined us before and all you first timers, be sure to go to moveon.org/waves to find a voter event near you.

Karine J-P: Later this week we'll have a transcript of this call, the audio recording and a PDF of the slide show available at moveon.org/resistandwincall.
Karine J-P: Thank you so much for spending your Sunday with us and thanks to all of our speakers and everyone who joined. Good night. Happy Sunday.