

Your Invitation to Support the Women and Climate Change Act

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The Women and Climate Change Act (HR 4932), introduced by Representative Barbara Lee, promotes approaches to climate change mitigation that uplift, include, and empower women. Specifically, the bill establishes a Federal Interagency Working Group on Women and Climate Change within the Department of State. The duties of the working group include: (1) coordinating the development of policies and activities of the federal government relating to addressing the effects of climate change on women, and (2) identifying and disseminating best practices for improved data collection relevant to the disparate impact of climate change on women. The working group and the State Department's Office of Global Women's Issues would be required to develop a strategy to prevent and respond to the effects of climate change on women and would further require the designation of a Senior Coordinator for Women and Climate Change.

You are invited to take action in support of this important piece of legislation. The bill currently has [53 cosponsors](#). Representative Lee is looking for additional co-sponsors. If your representative is already a co-sponsor, thank her or him. If not, invite him or her to become a co-sponsor of [H.R. 4932, Women and Climate Change Act of 2018](#).

Sample Letter –

Dear Representative _____

I am writing to urge you to become a co-sponsor of an important piece of legislation, the Women and Climate Change Act (HR 4932).

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Climate change is real and its impacts all too often fall disproportionately on women. By becoming a co-sponsor of this legislation, you will be promoting common sense planning and coordination which is essential to help address the consequences of this most serious concern. Thank you for your consideration of my request and for all you do to promote human dignity, the common good and care of creation.

Sincerely,

List of Co-sponsors for HR 4932 the Women and Climate Change Act (HR 4932)

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