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ADVISORY: Press Conference 11am TOMORROW/Wednesday, May 20 on Urgency of Passing HD 5075 to Allow Vote by Mail in Fall Elections

Media are invited to attend an online press conference with the Election Modernization Coalition and endorsers of HD 5075. The bill will enable safe, accessible and secure voting in the fall elections and is supported by over 100 Massachusetts organizations.

WHO: Voting rights organizations including Common Cause Massachusetts, MassVOTE, the League of Women Voters, and the ACLU of Massachusetts, and Associate Professor and Chair of the Government Department, Suffolk University.

WHAT: Press conference on support for vote by mail in Massachusetts and HD 5075, An Act Ensuring Safe and Participatory 2020 State Elections in Response to COVID-19.

WHEN: Wednesday, May 20th, starting at 11am. Speakers are expected to give five minutes of remarks, followed by 20 minutes of Q&A from the press. May 20 is 104 days before Primary Day.

WHERE: Zoom: Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9258425972>

Meeting ID: 925 842 5972

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WHY: HD.5075 includes needed reforms for a safe and accessible elections and has been endorsed by over 100 organizations since it was filed by Representatives Michael

Moran and John Lawn. Lead Senate co-sponsors include Senators Eric Lesser, Adam Hinds, and Harriette Chandler. <https://malegislature.gov/Bills/191/HD5075>

More on support for the bill is available here:

<https://www.commoncause.org/massachusetts/resource/sign-on-testimony-in-support-of-hd-5075-an-act-ensuring-safe-and-participatory-2020-state-elections-in-response-to-covid-19/>

Organizations endorsing HD 5075 include:

Common Cause Massachusetts

The ACLU of Massachusetts

The League of Women Voters of Massachusetts

MASSPIRG

MassVOTE

Massachusetts Voter Table

Lawyers for Civil Rights

1199SEIU Massachusetts

Action for Equity

Alternatives for Community and Environment

American Federation of Teachers-MA

American Promise

Arise for Social Justice

Berkshire Democratic Brigades

Black Boston COVID19 Coalition

Black Directors' Network

Black Economic Justistic Institute

Black Ministerial Alliance of Greater Boston, Inc.

Boston Democratic Socialists of America

Boston Ten Point Coalition

Boston Ujima Project

Bridge Action Network for Democracy (BAND)

Burlington Democratic Town Committee

Cambodian Mutual Assistance Association of Greater Lowell, Inc.

Cambridge Area Stronger Together (CAST)

Charles Hamilton Houston Institute for Race and Justice

Chelsea Collaborative

Chilmark Democratic Town Committee

City Life Vida Urbana

City Mission, Inc.

Clean Water Action MA

Climate Action Now, Western Mass

Coalition for Social Justice

Codman Square NDC
Conservation Law Foundation
Criminal Justice Reform Task Force of Congregation Dorshei Tzedek
Democratic Policy Center
Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative - DSNi
End Mass Incarceration Together
Environmental League of Massachusetts
Equal Citizens
ForwardMA
Four Freedoms Coalition
Franklin County Continuing the Political Revolution
Freedom House
Garrison Trotter Neighborhood Association
Generation Citizen Massachusetts
Greater Boston Nazarene Compassionate Center Inc.
Greater Boston Section-National Council of Negro Women
Indivisible Martha's Vineyard
Indivisible Mass Coalition
Indivisible Northampton
Indivisible Outer Cape
iVOTE
Jetpac
Jewish Alliance for Law and Social Action
Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Boston
La Comunidad, Inc
Lift+Every+Vote
MA Association of Community Development Corporations
Madison Park Development Corporation
MAPS-Massachusetts Alliance of Portuguese Speakers
March For Our Lives: Massachusetts
Mass Alliance of HUD Tenants
Mass Communities Action Network
Mass Equality
Massachusetts Affordable Housing Alliance
Massachusetts Against Solitary Confinement
Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition
Massachusetts Law Reform Institute
Massachusetts Peace Action
Massachusetts Women of Color Coalition
MASSCreative
Mental Health Legal Advisors Committee

MITvote
NAACP- New England Area Conference
NAACP-Boston Branch
National Association of Social Workers, MA Chapter
Neighbor to Neighbor Massachusetts
New England United for Justice
Next Leadership Development Corporation
Nonprofit Vote
PHENOM
Planned Parenthood
Pleasant Hill Baptist Church
Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts
Progressive Democrats of Massachusetts
Progressive For Democracy in America
Progressive Massachusetts
Project R.I.G.H.T.
Providers' Council- CareVote
Quincy Geneva New Vision CDC
Racial Justice Rising
Reclaim Our Democracy
Right to the City Boston
Rosie's Place
Shana Bryant Consulting Services
Sierra Club Massachusetts Chapter
Small Planet Institute
Somerville Democratic City Committee
Sunrise Movement Boston
The Equal Democracy Project at Harvard Law School
The Real Cost of Prisons Project
The Women's Pipeline for Change
Toxics Action Center
Transformative Culture Project
Union of Minority Neighborhoods
Unitarian Universalist Mass Action
Voter Choice for Massachusetts 2020
Worcester Interfaith
Young Democrats of Massachusetts
YWCA Cambridge
YWCA Malden
YWCA Southeastern Massachusetts

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The Election Modernization Coalition is comprised of the ACLU of Massachusetts, Common Cause Massachusetts, the League of Women Voters of Massachusetts, MASSPIRG, MassVOTE, and the Massachusetts Voter Table.