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## **Hundreds of Moms Traveled to Washington to Urge Immediate Action On Climate Change**

*Moms Clean Air Force Hosted "Play-In" For Climate Action on the National Mall, Organized Over 90 Meetings with Representatives from 30 States*

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(Washington, D.C.)—On Wednesday, July 11th hundreds of families from over 30 states gathered on the National Mall for the **fifth consecutive** Moms Clean Air Force Play-In for Climate Action. The Play-In demonstrated the power of moms to spur action and emphasized why voting is critical and an important step toward mitigating the impacts of climate change in our communities.

At the Play-In moms and advocates were joined by a dozen members of Congress from both sides of the aisle who share their passion for protecting our environment and public health. Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi spoke at the event, alongside U.S. Senator Cory Booker and U.S. Representatives Kathy Castor (FL-14), Carlos Curbelo (FL-26), Raul Ruiz (CA-36), Grace Meng (NY-6), and others.

**Co-Founder and Director of Moms Clean Air Force Dominique Browning** urged moms to make their voices heard in the Halls of Congress:

"Parents are tired of watching their kids suffer at the hands of a dangerous environmental agenda, where polluter profits are put ahead of their kids' health. Hundreds of moms, parents, and kids traveled to Washington today to tell Congress, EPA, Secretary Zinke, and President Trump that enough is enough," said Dominique Browning.

"Our kids' future depends on our leaders, Democrats and Republicans, working together to address the impacts of climate change, the most pressing crisis of our time. With the continued support of the members of Moms Clean Air Force and the Congressmen and women here today, I am confident that we can find solutions that will protect our kids health and environment for generations to come," added Browning.

With the midterm elections approaching, attendees were encouraged to take a pledge to vote for climate action by casting a ballot in a mock voting booth on site.

**DC-area teacher and mother Kristin Mink**, who confronted former EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt spoke about standing up to the Trump administration's dangerous agenda that threatens America's children:

"The midterms are this November. The last midterms were a historic low for turnout. We must have a historic high this time around. This is our opportunity to put representatives in office who will stand up and fight for our children and their future, fight for the air we breath and the water we drink, fight for our health care, and fight for our humanity," said Mink.

**Clean air advocate Shaina Oliver, a member of the Dinè/Navajo Tribe** spoke about the dangers of air pollution that have affected communities for generations:

"I've seen the toll that toxic air pollution takes on families and on communities. On my reservation, too many people—including all of my grandparents-- have died of cancer, asthma, and other pollution-related illnesses. Air pollutants and contaminants have harmed many generations of Americans, but by speaking out, we can fight to make sure that our kids don't suffer the same consequences."

Following the Play-In, families headed into the Capitol to meet with their members of Congress where they shared their personal stories to urge their representatives to take action on climate to protect their children's health and future generations.

B-roll footage and photos from the play-in are available [here](#).

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Moms Clean Air Force is a community of over one million moms—and dads—working together to combat air pollution, including the urgent crisis of our changing climate. For more information, go to <http://www.momscleanairforce.org/> or follow us on Twitter [@CleanAirMoms](#), Instagram [@cleanairmoms](#), or [Facebook](#).