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MOMS APPLAUD HOUSE FOR ITS BOLD CLIMATE ACTION (H.R.9)

WASHINGTON, DC (May 2nd, 2019) – Today, in response to news that the U.S. House of Representatives voted 231-190 in favor of the Climate Action Now Act (H.R.9) Moms Clean Air Force national field director, Heather McTeer Toney issued the following statement:

“Today, Congress reminded the world that as Americans, we take our promise to protect our children's health and future seriously. We are going to cut our climate pollution in accordance with the historic Paris climate agreement.

“The Climate Action Now Act (H.R.9) is the first bill to reach the floor in nearly a decade that grapples with the threat of climate change. This much-needed Congressional action recognizes the absolute urgency to act on climate change now, because we are already feeling its effects on our children, families, and communities. Now more than ever, it is important that we utilize all of our resources; local, state and federal, to implement equitable and actionable plans that combat climate change. Our children are not only watching us, they're depending on us to do the right thing.

“Our more than one million members across the country are encouraged that their concerns about climate change and our children's health are finally being heard and acted on in Congress. We hope this action today fosters increased momentum on climate for the sake of our children and their children to come.”

BACKGROUND:
In December of 2015, Moms Clean Air Force sent a delegation to attend the historic climate talks in Paris to make sure the voices of parents were represented at the international gathering. We were there to demand an agreement that would protect our kids from climate chaos. Although not strong enough, the Paris agreement set us and all the nations of the world on the right path—offering much-needed hope for our children's future. U.S. President Donald Trump's consequential decision to withdraw from the Paris Agreement was a devastating setback for international climate cooperation and our children's health.

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Moms Clean Air Force is a community of more than one million moms—and dads—working together to combat air pollution, including the urgent crisis of our changing climate. We work across the US on national and local policy issues, through a vibrant network of state-based field teams.
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