



MEDIA ADVISORY FOR JULY 11, 2019

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IA PARENTS JOIN MEMBERS OF CONGRESS ON CAPITOL HILL AS PART OF SWEEPING MOVEMENT FOR CLIMATE SOLUTIONS

Moms Clean Air Force to Host "Play-In" Demanding Lawmakers Solve our Climate Crisis

(Washington, D.C.) – On Thursday, July 11th, two Iowa parents will join more than **500 members from over 25 states** to gather at the U.S. Capitol for the **sixth** Moms Clean Air Force "Play-In" for Climate Action and live-streamed press conference. This annual event will showcase visionary leaders including members of the Global Climate Strikes who will join moms and Members of Congress on stage to demand action on climate. Speakers of all generations will be calling on political leadership at all levels to advance solutions to protect our families from the climate crisis. This means 100% clean energy across the entire economy by 2050.

Following the Play-In, the Iowa delegation will head to the Capitol to meet with their members of Congress to share their personal story and urge their representatives to take action on climate to protect her children's health and future. Climate change has come to Iowa, harming farms and families. The Iowa families we work with are a powerful group of voters who care deeply about climate change. Protecting their children's health and future from climate change is one of the most important issues to them and so many other parents in the state.

Media is invited to schedule interviews with our Iowa delegation.

Who:

Karin Stein is a touring musician, mother of three grown daughters, and passionate clean air advocate from Kellogg, Iowa, near Des Moines. Originally from Colombia and later Costa Rica, Karin combines her love of Latin music with conservation by focusing on ways to reduce waste in the music industry. She attributes her affinity for clean air to her years growing up on an off-the-grid cattle and rice farm in the eastern plains of Colombia. As the field organizer for Moms Clean Air Force in Iowa, Karin is helping parents in her state speak up about local climate impacts. Iowa's wetter springs and hotter summers threaten farms—a fact which compels Karin to mobilize her fellow parents to action.

Edgar East is a father of three young children who lives in Waterloo, Iowa, where he is a childhood educator with a specialty in music. For the last six years, Edgar has been deeply involved in his local foster care program.

His passion for children's health and well-being has prompted him to get more involved in addressing his state's changing climate and how it impacts families. Edgar will be travelling to Washington, D.C., with his grade-school son, Sam.

We also invite media to watch our Play-In press conference live at approximately 10:00 AM ET on July 11th [here](#) where it will be live-streamed on our national Facebook page.

Speakers include:

Keynote speaker Alexandria Villaseñor is a 14-year-old climate justice activist and leading organizer for the ongoing global Fridays for Future Climate Strikes.

Emcee Vanessa Hauc is a Telemundo Network Emmy award-winning journalist

Congresswoman Lisa Blunt Rochester (D-DE At-large)

Senator Tom Carper (D-DE) Chair of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee

Congresswoman Kathy Castor (D-FL 7) Chair of the House Select Committee on the Climate Crisis

Congresswoman Debbie Dingell (D-MI 12)

Congresswoman Deb Haaland (D-NM 1)

Congressman Donald McEachin (D-VA 4)

Congresswoman Kim Schrier (D-WA 8)

Great Grandmother Mary Lyons is a Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe member in Minnesota, UN Indigenous Observer and Author

Rev Michael Malcom, MDiv MBA is the Executive Director of Alabama Interfaith Power and Light

Dominique Browning is Moms Clean Air Force's Co-Founder and Senior Director

Heather McTeer Toney is Moms Clean Air Force's National Field Director

An updated list of speakers can be found [here](#).

Where: The National Mall at Madison Drive NW and 3rd Street NW, Washington D.C. or follow the press conference online [here](#).

When: Thursday, July 11, 2019, from 9:30-11:00 AM (press conference begins at 10:00 AM)

NOTE: **B-roll footage** and **photos** of Play-In available upon request.

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