## March 5, 2024

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

Our organizations advocate for solutions on a wide range of issues critical to the success of our nation. While our causes may be distinct, we write today united in our shared belief that our democracy is under attack and that protecting it is paramount.

Your recent speech at Valley Forge crystalized the threat we currently face, "Whether democracy is still America's sacred cause is the most urgent question of our time." You have rightfully asserted that protecting our democracy is existential for our country, and we thank you for declaring this a central cause of your presidency.

As you've made clear, anti-democratic forces are working to take away the freedom to vote, cause chaos in our electoral systems, and corruptly tilt our politics in favor of big money special interests. No less than the future of our Republic is at stake.

Over the last three sessions, Congress has prioritized two pieces of legislation that would address these threats head on -- the Freedom to Vote Act and the John R. Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act. We are united in our steadfast support of their passage.

You have been a leader in defending and strengthening our democracy since the earliest days of your public service, warning the American people that if democracy fails, "we'll lose the power of 'we, the people,' to shape our destiny." We wholeheartedly agree.

## For that reason, we urge you to immediately and publicly ask Congress to send you the Freedom to Vote Act and John R. Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act for signature on Day 1 of your next term.

We look forward to working closely with your Administration on the most sacred and pressing cause of our time. The American public is counting on all of us to save this cherished democracy.

Thank you for your historic leadership during these unprecedented times.

Sincerely,

League of Women Voters of the United States
me too. International
National Democratic Redistricting Committee
National Urban League
NETWORK Lobby for Catholic Social Justice
People For the American Way (PFAW)
Planned Parenthood Action Fund
Protect Democracy
Public Citizen
Public Wise
Reproductive Freedom for All
Sierra Club
Small Business Majority
SPLC Action Fund
Stand Up America
State Democracy Defenders Action
The National Coalition on Black Civic Participation
The Workers Circle
Transformative Justice Coalition
UNITE HERE
Voices for Progress
Voters of Tomorrow
Voto Latino