



House Committee on Natural Resources
Subcommittee on Federal Lands
1324 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Chairman Tiffany and Ranking Member Neguse,

I understand the House Committee on Natural Resources' Subcommittee on Natural Lands will hold a hearing on H.R. 1318, the Women's Suffrage National Monument Location Act, on Thursday, July 13. Thank you for your leadership in prioritizing this important legislation for consideration.

Suffragist Matilda Joslyn Gage in 1876 charged that the United States was not a Republic, based on the consent of the governed, it was an “oligarchy of sex” with women being ruled by their “brothers, their fathers, their husbands and even their sons.” The enactment of an amendment ensuring votes for women has rightly been labeled the second American Revolution. The creation of a monument on the National Mall recognizing this critical moment is essential to establishing a legacy of historic accuracy celebrating the history of American’s democracy.

Thank you again for your consideration of this historic project. I hope you will support H.R. 1318. Your leadership in placing the Women's Suffrage National Monument on the National Mall—the most visited National Park in the United States—will expand our Nation's understanding of American women's leadership in the founding and shaping of our Republic and make certain that women's contributions to American democracy continue to inspire for generations to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sally Roesch Wagner".

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