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pass the
Federal Green New Deal
of Washington

Dear Green New Deal Leader,

What matters most to you right now? Protecting our right to a safe, healthy environment? Our right to safe homes, schools and shops? Our right to quality health care for everyone? Our tax dollars invested in green, essential jobs for a caring economy, not wasted on assault weapons, here and abroad?

Now is our time to tell our elected representatives and all candidates what we want now. Did you know that every Congressman and Senator Murray must run for reelection this November? So now is the time they will be more accessible than usual. Who is running?

Senator Patty Murray just tweeted: “This week, I officially filed to run for reelection as Washington state’s U.S. Senator. This is just the beginning of what will be an exciting few months of talking with neighbors from across the state about issues that matter most. Let’s organize or attend events to ask and tell her what matters most to us.

Also, here is a message from a new Congressional candidate, Stephanie Gallardo running in the 9th, south of Seattle. Teacher and union leader, Stephanie Gallardo says “the 9th is one of the most progressive districts in the country, with a thriving immigrant community. Yet we’ve never been represented by a person of color. I am a working class Latina, the proud daughter of immigrants and refugees. When I’m elected, I will be the first woman to represent this district

in Congress. Washington's top-two primary system leaves a wide open path for a progressive challenger like me to win the August primary and get on the November ballot."

So, at our recent monthly Coalition meeting, we unanimously decided to urge you and all our partners and allies to learn about who is running and what they stand for, attend or host candidate events, and ask for their commitments for bills such as the Sunrise Green New Deal Pledge (see below). Please contact us if you would like to help organize or to invite others to your groups' candidate events.

What can our Congress do now?

While we are organizing for the November elections, our Coalition continues to call on our elected reps to act now. We demand that they [sign the new Sunrise Green New Deal \(GND\) pledge](#). The new Sunrise Green New Deal (GND) Pledge includes the original GND Resolution and adds GND for Cities, Public Schools, Public Housing, Infrastructure Jobs, Farm System Reform, Civilian Climate Corps, End Polluter Welfare and Keep it in the Ground Acts.

Also, our Coalition decided [to ask Congress members to sign on to the Energy Security and Independence Act](#), sponsored in the house by Rep. Cori Bush (HB7439) and in the Senate by Sen. Sanders (S4013) to strengthen our national security, become energy independent, create good union jobs, *and* combat the climate crisis. The war in Ukraine has sent energy prices skyrocketing and big oil and gas companies are lobbying Congress to drill more here at home. This Act would activate the Defense Production Act to spur innovation and renewable energy generation.

To find out more and support our campaign, please join us at our next Coalition meeting,

[Tuesday, June 21st at noon on Zoom.](#)

Read on, take some actions now, and join us to expand our power to win more soon.

- **Write & call our U.S. Reps, [Senators Murray](#) and [Cantwell](#): Pass the Build Back Better Act now.**

- [Send a message to our President Biden to take all possible executive action to protect our climate](#) including [halting fossil fuel exports](#).

Thank you for reading, acting and persisting in our movements for a green new deal, climate justice and beyond...please keep speaking out. Please forward this to your other groups and friends.

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- Read the original “Green New Deal” bill, book reviews, etc. [Click here](#)
- Join our coalition? [Click here](#).

Keep it up,

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