Don’t Let the Trump Administration Destroy the rest of the Affordable Care Act!

This week Attorney Jeff Sessions announced that he would not defend the ACA in a crucial lawsuit.

SPEAK OUT!!! the Trump Administration is trying to sabotage the few remaining protections left in the ACA, putting millions of Americans with pre-existing health issues at risk of losing their coverage.

Despite being weakened, The Affordable Care Act is still the law of the land, and this administration is sworn to protect and uphold our laws. Attorney Jeff Sessions should do his job and defend the ACA. You can read more about it here: https://www.indivisible.org/resource/trump-wants-end-protections-people-pre-existing-conditions

**Action Item**: Make your outrage heard! Refusing to protect our laws for political gain in this way is unheard of and is a very real threat to our way of life.

*Take 5 minutes and make a call right now!* Make sure our Senators know we want them to speak out.

Script: My name is _______. I am calling as a member of Olympia Indivisible to ask (Senator)_____ to take a public stand and speak out against the Trump Administration’s refusal to defend the ACA in court. Attorney Jeff Session’s statement last week that he would not act to defend the ACA is putting millions of American’s healthcare at risk, especially those with pre-existing conditions.

Senator Patty Murray: (253) 572-3636
Senator Maria Cantwell: (253) 572-228
How Should We Respond to the G7 Conference and North Korea Summit?

Trump has continuously shown a fondness toward despots like Erdogan in Turkey and Duterte in the Philippines while putting a wedge in relations between our allies, recently with tariffs against Mexico, Canada and the EU under the guise of national security. This crack became a chasm this week with Trump’s fits of anger at the G7 conference in Canada and his later rejection of the Joint Communique after having previously agreed to it. According to Trump’s chief economic adviser Larry Kudlow, Trump’s reaction was so as to not look weak to Kim Jong UN. On CNN, Kudlow said of the president, "POTUS is not going to let a Canadian prime minister...push him around on the eve of this. He is not going to permit any show of weakness on the trip to negotiate with North Korea."

Not unrelated to this, Trump is now in Singapore to meet with Kim Jong Un, another despot Trump wishes to emulate. All reports indicate there has been little preparation for this meeting, as Trump likes to act on gut instinct and has said "I don’t think I need to prepare very much. It’s about attitude, it’s about willingness to get things done." Many diplomats from previous administrations fear that Trump will not even know if he has gotten a bad deal. However, should Trump believe he looks weak with a peace deal he may threaten war.

The tension with our allies could become something much bigger than a trade war. Trump is not stable psychologically, and, as all the world has come to realize, if he feels he is being ganged up on, he could retaliate in frightening and unpredictable ways. The best recourse we have, as citizens, is encourage congressional leaders to assert their authority and override the Trump tariffs, to prevent a trade war, to rein in his impulsive behavior and restore cordial relations with our allies.

In preparation to any potential war with North Korea there are two bills we should encourage Congress to support. Representative Khanna in the House of Representatives (H.R. 4837) and Senator Markey in the Senate (S. 2016) each have a bill that seeks to prevent Trump from launching any sort of strike at North Korea without congressional authorization. Also legislation, (S. 2047), led by Sen. Chris Murphy de-funds military action in North Korea absent an imminent threat or congressional authorization.
ACTION: Contact our MOCs and the Republican leadership to let them know of our growing concern over Trump’s behavior and the need for diplomacy in foreign relations and a reminder that he alone does not make such far reaching decisions.

Call our Senators: Senator Maria Cantwell (253)572-2281 Senator Patty Murray (253)572-3636
My name is ____________, and I am a member of Olympia Indivisible. I am calling to express my deep concern about Trump’s actions at and after the G7 conference and his escalating divisions with our allies. His actions will have long term consequences that could harm our economy and our democracy. I am asking Senator____________ to reassert his/her authority, to oppose the steel tariffs and join with other congress members to pass legislation that prevents the president from making unilateral decisions on trade. Also support HR 4837, S 2016 and S 2047.

You may also want to contact Republican leadership:

Mitch McConnell 202-224-2541
Paul Ryan 202-225-3031
Committee Chairs:
    Senate
Bob Corker, 202-224-3344 Foreign Relations
    House
Ed Royce 202-2254111 Foreign Affairs

PROTECT OUR QUALITY OF LIFE

A Few Republicans Want to Act To Save The Dreamers. Don’t let this be used as a tool to pass other heavy-handed immigration laws.

Ever since President Trump removed promised protections for DACA recipients, hundreds of thousands of young students have had their lives put on hold while congress does nothing.

This week on Tuesday, GOP members of the house will likely try to reinstate some protections for The Dreamers, but at a cost; by agreeing to hurtful immigration policies and funding Trump’s ineffective wall.
The only way to actually stop these inhumane policies from becoming law is to elect new members of congress. In the meantime, make sure that our Representative Denny Heck knows where we stand.

*Action: Call Congressman Heck*

*We ask for permanent, humane immigration solutions that protect our deeply held values of respect, inclusion, and opportunity.*

*Tell him to say NO! to any legislation that funds a ridiculous wall or compromises our American values of inclusion, respect, and dignity.*

Congressman Denny Heck: 360-459-8514

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**Don’t Let Trump Weaponize This About-To-Be-Released Report To Fire Mueller!**

The Justice Department's inspector general will release an internal report next week detailing broad allegations of misconduct by FBI and Justice Department officials in the months leading up to the 2016 presidential election. ABC News reported on Thursday that the report is *expected to fault Comey*, accusing him of defying authority at times during his tenure as the nation's top FBI official. It's also expected to criticize former Attorney General Loretta Lynch for her handling of the Clinton email investigation. The inspector general's report has been more than a year in the making. The Justice Department launched the investigation into the matter in January 2017, roughly a week before *President Trump* took office.

Trump has admitted that he fired Comey because of the Russian investigation hoping the investigation would stop. **Mueller and the Special Counsel need to be protected from Trump’s continued obstruction of justice in the investigation.**

*Action: Call our Senators (again!)*

Senator Patty Murray: (253) 572-3636

Senator Maria Cantwell: (253) 572-2281
Caller: Hi! I’m a constituent from District 10. I’m calling to urge [MoC] to use every tool in the toolbox to prevent Trump from firing Special Counsel Mueller or otherwise impeding the investigation, such as by firing Rod Rosenstein. I’m concerned he may do that, launching a constitutional crisis. Will [MoC] speak out and tell the President that firing Mueller would be a red line he must not cross?

Staffer: Thank you for your call. [MoC] is monitoring the various investigations closely and is letting them run their course.

Caller: That’s good, but it’s really important for Congress to assert its power now to prevent Trump from firing Mueller. I’d like to see [MoC] issue a clear statement on this, and co-sponsor [H.R. 5476/S. 2644] to show [his/her] support for protecting Mueller and the investigation.

Staffer: We’ll take a look at that legislation.

Caller: Great, I’ll be following to see if [MoC] co-sponsors and speaks out on this.