

# League of Women Voters of Wisconsin: Stands for the freedom to vote

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MADISON, WI—The freedom to vote is a sacred right and the foundation of our democracy, and it is under constant attack in Wisconsin and across the U.S.

Today the League of Women Voters of Wisconsin remembers the atrocities that took place last year on Jan. 6. An event that was ultimately an attack on voters and the integrity of a fair election.

“Our hardworking and professional election officials across the state are enduring abhorrent treatment and threats,” said Debra Cronmiller, executive director of the League of Women Voters of Wisconsin. “We thank them every day for administering a fair, safe and accessible election in 2020, but we are especially grateful for their work in the shadow of January 6.”

Voters decide the outcome of our elections. Elections plagued with threats of violence, rampant misinformation and voter suppression tactics are not free elections. Voters have the freedom to choose who best represents them, so we have a government that is wholly by and for the people.

Now is the time to demand that your Senators advocate for federal legislation that will transform our country and truly protect the freedom to vote. The Senate must pass The Freedom to Vote Act and John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act to restore the power of the vote.

- [Freedom to Vote Act](#) (FVA): This act would set national standards that expand opportunities to vote, protect against gerrymandering, modernize voter

registration and tackle dark money.

- [John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act](#) (JLVRAA or VRAA): This act would restore and modernize protections set by the Voting Rights Act of 1965. It would combat modern discriminatory practices that disproportionately target minorities, the elderly and youth from voting.

The path toward a better future is through accountability and justice. Coming together, we have the power to demand that our Senators pass the FVA and JLVRAA to create national standards that preserve our rights, ensure that trusted local election officials count every vote, and protect the results of our elections.