

IWV Supports National School Choice Week Resolution

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Dear Members of Congress,

Independent Women's Voice (IWV), which fights to enhance people's freedom, opportunities, and well-being, is proud to support H. Res. 882. This resolution, introduced by Representative John Moolenaar (R-MI), expresses support for the designation of the week of January 23 through January 29, 2022, as "National School Choice Week."

National School Choice Week recognizes that there is value in letting parents choose where their children go to school and how they learn. Every child is different and parents deserve to have a choice when it comes to the kind of educational experience—virtual, non-virtual, private, denominational, charter, homeschool, or otherwise—their children receive.

We always celebrate the benefits of educational choices during National School Choice Week, but the need for educational freedom has become even more urgent over the last two years. Students who lack school choice and have been denied access to in-person learning struggle, have fallen further and further behind. Sadly, many students in the public school system have lost academic ground – and have not caught up.

Today it's more apparent than ever that far too few American families have access to high-quality educational options. That must change.

Change starts with putting students first. IWV thanks Rep. Moolenaar for introducing this resolution. We urge all Members of Congress to join him and support putting education in the hands of parents to give them the leverage they need to ensure that their children aren't left behind.

Respectfully,

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