



**Independent Women Supports the Confirmation of Robert F. Kennedy Jr. as Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services**

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Dear Senators,

Independent Women, which advances policies that enhance opportunity and well-being, supports the confirmation of Robert F. Kennedy Jr. to serve as Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services. President Trump deserves the team he wants so that he can carry out the directive given to him by the American people.

The American people have lost trust with our government when it comes to matters of public health. The Covid pandemic particularly showed how broken and mismanaged the Department of Health and Human Services is. We saw how politics was trumping science and health officials were keeping important information from the American people about how decisions are made. Worse, they were using their power to restrict Americans' liberties. This should never have happened.

The American people deserve a full account of what went wrong and absolute transparency about how decisions are made when it comes to health and safety assessments. Mr. Kennedy will provide a fresh perspective and passion for reform that will ensure that the American people get the truth and that moving forward, the department will focus on helping Americans be healthier.

We urge senators to provide Robert F. Kennedy Jr. with a fair and respectful hearing and to confirm him as Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services.

Respectfully,

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Carrie Lukas  
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