

LWVUS Positions and Actions

The LWVUS joined the National Women's Law Center and other organizations by filing an amicus brief in the Masterpiece Cake Shop, Ltd. v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission. The case involves a bakery in Colorado that refused to make a wedding cake for a same-sex couple. The brief argues that this violates public accommodation laws and opens the door to discrimination of other groups. The US Supreme Court heard arguments on December 5. A final decision will be in June.

Stop Voter Suppression: The LWVUS joins letters sent to all 50 Secretaries of State condemning and opposing the data request by President Trump's advisory commission. The national task force, created to justify President Trump's demonstrably false claims of widespread voter fraud in the 2016 elections, is laying the groundwork for dangerous voter suppression across the country. The League will work to prevent this Commission and other entities from intimidating voters but we need your help. Tell the Commission you won't let anything stop you from exercising your right to vote. Sign the League petition here: http://participate.lwv.org/c/10065/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action_KEY=12993&okay=true.

Take Action to Save Health Care. The Senate version of the tax bill includes an amendment to eliminate a provision of the ACA known as the individual mandate. Eliminating this provision will effectively repeal the ACA. The House version does not have this provision. The bills will go to conference. Please call Lamar Alexander and ask that he exert influence in conference to delete this provision at 202-224-4944, or Bob Corker, to thank him for voting against the bill, at 202-224-3344. You can reach Chuck Fleischmann at 202-225-3271. A simple statement might be, "I oppose any tax package that repeals the Affordable Care Act. I ask that you protect my care by voting against any measure that would repeal the Affordable Care Act or reduce access to health coverage."

The **Federal Election Commission** unanimously voted to move forward with updating and strengthening regulations of political ad transparency in on line advertisement. Almost 13,000 League members and supporters sent comment to the FEC during the comment campaign. In another action the League cosigned a Senatorial letter supporting the bipartisan Honest Ads Act to expose efforts undertaken by foreign interests to intervene in US election.

~Mary Ann Reeves