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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

Virtual Press Statement in Celebration of the Affordable Care Act Anniversary

**Thursday, March 24, 2011**

**Online at:** [www.raisingwiwomensvoices.org](http://www.raisingwiwomensvoices.org)

**What:** A virtual press statement to celebrate the One Year Anniversary of the Affordable Care Act.

**When:** Thursday, March 24, 2011

**Where:** Online at [www.raisingwiwomensvoices.org](http://www.raisingwiwomensvoices.org)

**Who:** Featuring Wisconsin Congresswoman Gwen Moore and Tammy Baldwin

**Background:** Nearly two-hundred events are taking place across the country this week to celebrate the anniversary of the Affordable Care Act. Seniors, small businesses, faith communities, and young people will all come together to share how they are already benefiting from the law and to highlight what's at stake as opponents of reform work overtime to take away those benefits and put insurance companies back in charge of health care decisions for America's families.

Throughout the week, days have been designated to highlight how the health care law helps different communities – today's celebration is about how the Affordable Care Act *Protects Women!*

To join us in the celebration, Wisconsin Congresswomen Gwen Moore and Tammy Baldwin are featured in our virtual press statement to recognize how Wisconsin women win with the Affordable Care Act.

Because of the Affordable Care Act, women are guaranteed the right to choose their primary care physician from their health network, and barriers women faced to see an OB-GYN are eliminated. All new health plans are required to cover benefits such as maternity care and newborn care. And now women can get mammograms and other preventive care for themselves and their children without having to pay a co-pay.

The Affordable Care Act also eliminates discriminatory insurance practices like charging women more than men for health care coverage and denying coverage to domestic violence survivors and mothers who have had Caesarean sections because these are "pre-existing conditions".

For more information on how Wisconsin women win the Affordable Care Act, visit us online at [www.raisingwiwomensvoices.org](http://www.raisingwiwomensvoices.org) or visit our new Raising Wisconsin Women's Voices Blog at [www.wordpress.com](http://www.wordpress.com).

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