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Washington, D.C. — The League of Women Voters of Massachusetts is traveling to D.C. this week to urge Massachusetts’s Senators to support strong climate change legislation. Representing thousands of concerned League members and voters across the state, Massachusetts League President Zaxaro Bennett will meet with staff members in both Senator John Kerry and Senator Scott Brown’s offices.

Oxfam America is bringing almost 100 “[Sisters on the Planet](#)” Ambassadors to Washington to mark International Women’s Day and advocate for climate legislation that includes substantial investments in vulnerable communities around the world.

“Women around the world are disproportionately affected by climate change,” Ms. Bennett said. “It is vitally important that we voice their concerns to our Senators.”

“The League has taken a strong stance on climate change [legislation](#) for a simple but important reason: without immediate action, the impacts on our planet—and our state—will be devastating,” said Bennett. “Our Senators must heed these warnings before it’s too late.”

“As the world’s largest per capita source of greenhouse gas emissions, the United States has a responsibility take the lead on setting firm limits, or caps, on greenhouse gas emissions—limits that decline over time to meet pollution-reduction goals,” Bennett continued. “Our Senators will soon have the historic opportunity to take meaningful action on an issue that is neither conservative nor liberal—and will affect everyone in our state for centuries to come.”

“Strong climate change provisions will also have a dramatic and positive effect on our economy—creating new jobs and lowering costs,” Bennett concluded. “It is a win-win for Massachusetts.”

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