

Sisters join in asking Congress to support families with policy, not rhetoric

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In an open letter released today, an ecumenical group of female faith leaders are asking the U.S. Congress to do more to support families. The letter, addressed to House Speaker John Boehner and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, calls politicians to task for espousing "pro-family rhetoric" while failing to implement policies that support women and families.

"As Christian, Jewish and Muslim women," the letter reads, "we are inspired by diverse faith traditions that share a conviction that public policies must serve the dignity of the human person, support the family and promote the common good."

Catholic sisters "including Simone Campbell, executive director of [NETWORK](#) [1], and the entire leadership team of the Sisters of Mercy" were among those who signed the letter. Sr. Ann Scholz, a School Sister of Notre Dame, the associate director for social mission at the Leadership Conference of Women Religious, who also signed the letter, told *Global Sisters Report* it was natural that sisters would show their support for pro-family policies just before a holiday honoring mothers.

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