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GRASSROOTS GROUPS PLAN CARAVAN TO SPRINGFIELD

Parental rights are a top issue for most groups planning to attend

SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS — AWAKE ILLINOIS is participating in a nonpartisan grassroots coalition event titled "Common Sense Caravan to Springfield" tomorrow August 16, 2022. It will meet at the Lincoln Statue of the Capitol at 2:00pm. The caravan coincides with the Illinois State Fair events. Families, parent groups, and advocates from throughout the state are invited to meet at the Lincoln Statue in support of parental rights, academic integrity in education, healthy child development, safe communities, civic empowerment, and several other issues.

The coalition which includes groups such as We Stand For Our Students and regional chapters of Moms For Liberty all aim to unite regular people across Illinois ahead of the school year and general election. AWAKE ILLINOIS President and mother of three Shannon Adcock announced, "We are excited to gather joyfully with hope for the future. Moms, Dads, and communities are working tirelessly in the on-going battle for liberty. This will be a rally call to keep up the 'respectful ruckus' for the sake of our children and to vote for common sense on November 8th."

Latasha Fields will be joining with her organization Team Illinois and will speak on education reform. Special guest and keynote speaker Scott Newgent of the Matt Walsh "What is a Woman" documentary will be speaking about his fight to stop childhood medical transition. He remarked, "This is so not a joke to me; it's means everything. This work is a burden I want gone, but it won't go away until kids are safe."

Confirmed speakers and special guests include "Billboard Chris" Elston, Frank McCormick of Chalkboard Heresy, former Gubernatorial candidate and father of five Jesse Sullivan, Waukesha Wisconsin Moms for Liberty Chair Scarlett Johnson, Attorney General Candidate Thomas DeVore, and Republican Candidate for Governor of Illinois Darren Bailey. Visit the caravan website for event updates and speaker announcements.

AWAKE ILLINOIS was launched May 2021 as a grassroots movement of fellow parents and citizens who are committed to protecting our children, our liberties, and our American way of life. The non-partisan 501(c)(4) helps parents and community members engage their communities with current and relevant information that will empower them to be involved volunteers and advocates. Its first chapter was chartered in Naperville and currently has 30 chapters throughout the state. For more information, please visit www.awakeil.com.