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Civil Society Groups from the United States Welcome the Global Alliance for Human Rights

We, the undersigned organizations from the U.S. human rights community, warmly welcome the launch of the Global Alliance for Human Rights by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights on June 11, 2026, in anticipation of the 80th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 2028.

At a time when human rights around the world face unprecedented pressure — from widespread acts of violence and the rise of authoritarianism to shrinking civic space and the erosion of multilateral cooperation — the Global Alliance offers a vital and timely framework for collective action to renew and expand commitment to human rights around the world. We are encouraged by its multi-stakeholder vision, which recognizes that governments, civil society, businesses, youth, and urban and rural communities alike all have essential roles to play in making human rights real in people's daily lives.

The Alliance's four pathways for change — Human Rights at Home, Human Rights in Action, Human Rights in Mind, and Human Rights for the Future — reflect a forward-looking and comprehensive approach. We particularly support the commitment to centering the voices of victims and survivors in the effort, and to embedding human rights in the digital and technological transformations shaping our world.

As members of the U.S. human rights community, we recognize that the principles enshrined in the Universal Declaration are not abstractions. They are living standards that demand engagement, accountability, and action — from every nation, including our own.

We commit to engaging with the Global Alliance in the spirit of its founding call: to imagine, to dialogue, and to act to advance human rights everywhere. We look forward to working with partners in this Alliance across regions, institutions, and generations in building toward the 80th anniversary of the Universal Declaration — and beyond.

ENDORISING ORGANIZATIONS

American Civil Liberties Union
American Friends Service Committee
CEDAW Rising
Center for Changing Systems of Power
Center for Constitutional Rights
Center for Justice and Accountability
Coalition to Stop Violence Against Native Women
Cornell Gender Justice Clinic

Council for Global Equality
Global Justice Center
Global Rights Advocacy
Hawai'i Institute for Human Rights
Human Rights Cities Alliance
Human Rights First
Human Rights Institute, Georgetown Law
International Center for Advocates Against Discrimination (ICAAD)
International Corporate Accountability Roundtable
Ipas US
Just Detention International
National Homelessness Law Center
National Right to Food Community of Practice
Pittsburgh Human Rights City Alliance
Robert & Ethel Kennedy Human Rights Center
Santa Clara Law - International Human Rights Clinic
Southern Poverty Law Center
T'ruah: The Rabbinic Call for Human Rights
The Advocates for Human Rights
The Alliance for Diplomacy and Justice
The Redwood Justice Fund
Transcending Strategies
United Nations University - Regional Center of Expertise Hawai'i Moananuiakea
Woodhull Freedom Foundation