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“Good Trouble Lives On” Community Rally in Morris Township

[Morris Township, NJ] — On Thursday, July 17, the League of Women Voters of the Morris Area and partners are organizing a local nonpartisan rally as part of a national call to action to honor the legacy of Congressman John Lewis. The Good Trouble Lives On rally will be a peaceful, nonviolent action rooted in the legacy of the civil rights movement and inspired by John Lewis’ call to make “good trouble, necessary trouble.”

Participants will gather to call for an end to the authoritarian attacks on our civil and human rights, our freedom to vote in free and fair elections, and our constitutional right to protest and organize. We stand united against efforts to criminalize our communities, roll back our rights, and slash vital public programs.

July 17th is the anniversary of civil and voting rights leader Congressman John Lewis’ passing.

“We show up today because Congressman Lewis taught us that getting into ‘good trouble’ is how we change history,” said Patra Brown, co-president, League of Women Voters of the Morris Area. “Democracy is on the line. Voting rights, our elections, and our democratic institutions are under attack. The League won’t stand by while our democracy is dismantled.”

The Good Trouble Lives On gathering will be held at the Morris Township Town Hall, 50 Woodland Avenue, Morris Township, NJ from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 17, 2025. Organizers are the League of Women Voters of the Morris Area, NJ 11th for Change and Amalia Duarte, Mendham Township Committeewoman. Register at <https://www.mobilize.us/john-lewis-actions/event/805644/>.

There will be music by the Harmonium Choir and local musicians and 5-6 speakers from the local faith community, civic organizations, civil rights organizations, and the arts. There will be sign-making and voter registration tables. Along with signs, attendees are encouraged to pack a blanket and a picnic during this peaceful event. All ages are welcome and invited to attend.

Parking is limited. Please carpool. Spots will be designated for people with limited mobility.

A core principle behind all events is a commitment to nonviolent action. We expect participants to seek to de-escalate any potential confrontation with those who disagree with our values.

All alcoholic beverages, illegal substances, and/or smoking or vaping are prohibited on Town properties. Please keep the park clean and litter free.

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Over 100 national pro-democracy sponsor organizations have come together to organize Good Trouble Lives On <https://goodtroubleliveson.org/partners>.