

## National Federation of Democratic Women

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We, the National Federation of Democratic Women (NFDW), are shocked and saddened by the horrific shooting this morning in Virginia that injured five, including a congressional member. Our thoughts and prayers are with Congressman Steve Scalise, the Capitol Police and staff who were shot during a practice for the Congressional baseball game. This game is a bipartisan tradition which fosters a positive working relationship between Democrats and Republicans. That the shooter would ask prior to his violent act which party was in the field is unconscionable. This act of violence against our elected leaders and the staff is intolerable.

The National Federation of Democratic Women (NFDW) stands in bipartisanship support of the victims, their families, and those who witnessed this senseless act, while continuing to recognize the need for discussions of policy and legislation to ensure the safety of not only our elected leaders, but for all citizens of the United States of America.

We extend our heartfelt appreciation of the quick and selfless actions of the Capitol Police, First Responders, and FBI in saving lives and apprehending the shooter. Our prayers and well wishes will continue to be with those affected.

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