

WRN and WRJ Congratulate Vice President Elect Kamala Harris

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The Women's Rabbinic Network and Women of Reform Judaism congratulate Senator Kamala Harris on her historic election as the first woman Vice President of the United States of America. One hundred years after women's suffrage was achieved, we rejoice in the shattering of the glass ceiling that previously stood between women and the greatest positions of power in our country. As Reform Jewish leaders, both lay leaders and rabbis, we know how crucial it is to have national leaders who represent the full range of diversity in our society. Now people of all faiths and genders will be able to look at the highest offices in our country and see ourselves reflected in all the places where decisions are made. As a person of color, you, Madam Vice President Elect, inspire and give voice to the many Jewish people of color and so many others who are often marginalized even within our own communities. We will stand with you and with President-Elect Biden as you work for justice, for equality and opportunity of all people, and for healing and peace. At this time of deep social and political division, we look to your leadership with hope and pride.

It will also be part of a press release including these descriptions of WRJ and WRN

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Women's Rabbinic Network (WRN), a partner organization of the Reform Movement, is the international organization of Reform women rabbis, representing and building community among **more than 700 rabbis** serving in diverse rabbinates in the United States and abroad. WRN is a leading voice for social justice and systemic change, promoting education and advocacy on issues of gender and power in the rabbinate, Reform Judaism, and beyond. Visit www.womensrabbinicnetwork.org for more.