

Resolution on Alleged Rape in Republic, Missouri Middle School

approved by Missouri NOW State Council, Aug. 20, 2011

Whereas rape is a serious crime, and

Whereas public schools have a duty to keep their students safe, and

Whereas women's allegations of sexual assault are often dismissed by the authorities, and

Whereas women should be taken seriously when they say they have been sexually assaulted, and

Whereas the Republic School District seems to have dismissed this middle school student's complaint without proper investigation, and

Whereas the victim was even forced to apologize to her alleged attacker,

Therefore now be it resolved that the Missouri National Organization for Women calls upon the Republic School District to take this case seriously and to properly investigate this and every case of alleged sexual assault, and

Be it further resolved that Missouri National Organization for Women urges its members to participate in the August 22 demonstration at the Republic Schools.