Washington D.C. – Leading women’s rights organizations today announced a new name for the April 25, 2004 national march: The March for Women’s Lives. The name change reflects the urgency of the issue and the huge diversity of the groups co-sponsoring the march. The new name better represents the broad agenda of those who support women’s reproductive health, justice, and freedom, as well as access to family planning and abortion. “The March for Women’s Lives” addresses the assaults on women’s rights and lives, both nationally and globally, that restrict women’s access to reproductive health services and limit women’s ability to have a child or to end a pregnancy.

March for Women’s Lives is now one of the fastest growing sites on meetup.com. Already over 570 organizations have signed on to co-sponsor the March for Women’s Lives, and the list grows daily. The groups represent a wide range of women’s, civil rights, labor, lesbian and gay, disability, people of color, campus and religious groups, as well as health clinics and services providers. Unprecedented numbers of people from all walks of life are expected to mobilize in Washington, DC to have their voices heard.

As the anti-choice agenda expands, the lives and health of women have never before faced such peril. On April 25, 2004, we will converge on Washington D.C., to deliver a message to the country. We will not allow women’s lives to be lost or ruined by unjust laws and insensitive regulations promulgated by those who put women last! March for Women’s Lives, 1725 I (Eye) Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006, 202-349-3838 (phone) 202-349-3839 (fax)

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March Organizers: Feminist Majority, NARAL Pro-Choice America, National Organization for Women, Planned Parenthood Federation of America

Co-sponsoring Partners: Black Women’s Health Imperative, Center for Reproductive Rights, National Abortion Federation, National Family Planning and Reproductive Health Association, National Partnership for Women and Families and National Women’s Law Center