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## GRASSROOTS GROUPS PLAN CARAVAN TO SPRINGFIELD

*Parental rights are a top issue for most groups planning to attend*

**SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS** — AWAKE ILLINOIS announced a nonpartisan grassroots coalition event titled “Common Sense Caravan to Springfield” which will meet at the Lincoln Statue of the Capitol on Tuesday, August 16, 2022. The caravan coincides with the Illinois State Fair events. Families, parent groups, and advocates from throughout the state are invited to meet at the Lincoln Statue in support of parental rights, academic integrity in education, healthy child development, safe communities, civic empowerment, and several other issues.

The coalition which includes groups such as We Stand For Our Students and regional chapters of Moms For Liberty all aiming to unite regular people across our communities ahead of the school year and general election. AWAKE ILLINOIS President and mother of three Shannon Adcock announced, “We are excited to gather joyfully with hope for the future. Moms, Dads, and communities are working tirelessly in the on-going battle for liberty. This will be a rally call to keep up the ‘respectful ruckus’ for the sake of our children and to vote for common sense on November 8th.”

Former candidate for Lt. Governor Kathleen Murphy who will speak as Vice Chair of Moms For Liberty DuPage County commented, “Parents have proven themselves a force to be reckoned with in Illinois politics. They took on Governor Pritzker over their rights to make decisions for their own children and they won. The heart and soul of the small government movement isn't quibbling over marginal tax rates; they are protecting their children. There is a whole new energy. And it's only just started to build.”

Confirmed speakers and special guests include “Billboard Chris” Elston, Frank McCormick of Chalkboard Heresy, Scott Newgent of TreVoices, Waukesha Wisconsin Moms for Liberty Chair Scarlett Johnson, and Attorney General Candidate Thomas DeVore. Visit the caravan website for event updates and speaker announcements.

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AWAKE ILLINOIS was launched May 2021 as a grassroots movement of fellow parents and citizens who are committed to protecting our children, our liberties, and our American way of life. The non-partisan 501(c)(4) helps parents and community members engage their communities with current and relevant information that will empower them to be involved volunteers and advocates. Its first chapter was chartered in Naperville and currently has 30 chapters throughout the state. For more information, please visit [www.awakeil.com](http://www.awakeil.com).

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