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MEDIA ALERT

ProTruthSC AND SC UNITED COALITION HOLDS
MEET ME AT THE STATEHOUSE EVENT FOR
Freedom to Learn CAMPAIGN

(COLUMBIA, S.C., May 2, 2023) - - ProTruthSC and SC United Coalition will hold a special “Meet Me at the Statehouse” in observance of National Day of Action to kick-off the Freedom to Learn Campaign. This event will be the only event taking place in the state of South Carolina and is one of over 150 grassroots activations expected across the US and online on May 3.

WHAT: Attendees will participate by talking to their senators about H.3728, host read-in for banned books, and hear testimony from parents, students, and teachers who are directly affected by this bill.

WHEN: Wednesday, May 3, 12:00-2:00 PM

WHERE: 1100 Gervais Street, Columbia, S.C. *(South Carolina Statehouse grounds on the Sumter Street side.)*

WHY: For the National Day of Action, the Freedom to Learn campaign was designed to mobilize a sustainable, grassroots network in defense of truthful, inclusive education. It is oriented toward sustaining pressure on elected officials and institutions facilitating the censorship of anti-racist education, while also showing that Americans united behind truthful history and anti-racist ideas are legitimate stakeholders in the fight against proliferating book bans, CRT bans, and anti-LGBTQ+ bans.

The Freedom to Learn Network is a coalition comprised of the United States’ leading Black scholars; top rights organizations; national teachers unions; students; and people and organizations, to include ProTruthSC and SC United Coalition, across the world, all united against the widespread attacks on access to books and antiracist education in US schools. Learn about the movement to protect the future of multiracial democracy at freedomtolearn.net.

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