Brett Kavanaugh’s record demonstrates that he will vote to erode critical constitutional rights and legal protections.

October 6, 2019 will mark Brett Kavanaugh’s one-year anniversary on the Supreme Court. We can never forget the sham process that led to his confirmation: the credible allegations of sexual assault by Dr. Blasey Ford and others; the FBI’s minimal investigation; Senate Republicans withholding the bulk of his record from the American people; Kavanaugh’s repeated lying; his promotion of conspiracy theories about President Clinton and Secretary Clinton; and his attacks on Democratic Senators, condemnation of progressive groups, and open threat of revenge against those opposed to him.

This term, the Court will likely decide cases on reproductive freedom, workplace discrimination against LGBTQ Americans, civil rights, protections for immigrants, and the future of the Affordable Care Act, to name just a few issues. With so many of our critical rights on the line, we cannot afford to ignore Kavanaugh’s damaging impact on the Court.
In just one year, Kavanaugh has already demonstrated he is no mainstream jurist and has used his position on the Supreme Court to erode our rights:

- **Kavanaugh has undermined democracy.** He would have allowed the Trump Administration to include a citizenship question on the Census, resulting in a severe undercount of minorities and depriving their communities of resources and accurate political representation. He also joined the 5-4 decision holding that political gerrymandering cases can never be challenged in federal court. This decision was a major political victory for Republicans, who have manipulated electoral maps to dilute the vote to entrench their own power.

- **Kavanaugh has validated Trump’s attacks on immigrants.** He voted to allow enforcement of a Trump Administration rule that prevents Central American migrants from seeking asylum in the United States, and held that the government could detain immigrants awaiting deportation indefinitely.

- **Kavanaugh has continued his attack on women and LGBTQ rights.** He voted to allow a restrictive Louisiana anti-choice law to move forward while statute was being challenged. He also allowed Trump’s ban on transgender servicemembers to take effect while it was being challenged in court.

- **Kavanaugh has sided with powerful corporations.** He gave businesses more power to force workers and consumers into individual arbitration proceedings, rather than advancing their common claims as a class.

- **Kavanaugh has failed to protect prisoners’ rights.** Kavanaugh voted with a 5-4 majority to allow the execution of a Muslim inmate to take place without the presence of an imam in the death chamber.

- **Kavanaugh has upended established law.** Kavanaugh overturned a 34-year-old precedent and a 40-year-old precedent. This lack of respect for precedent portends a future in which longstanding law can be overturned in an instant.

We also must not forget Brett Kavanaugh’s record as a D.C. Circuit Court judge:

- **Kavanaugh wrote a “roadmap” to overturn the Affordable Care Act.** If Kavanaugh’s views prevail, millions of people, including those with preexisting conditions, will lose access to quality health insurance.

- **Kavanaugh made clear he will undermine reproductive rights.** He ruled to put obstacles in the way of a young migrant woman seeking to exercise her right to an abortion. When other judges on the D.C. Circuit overruled him, Kavanaugh claimed the court had created “a new right” for migrants in custody “to obtain immediate abortion on demand.”

- **Kavanaugh repeatedly sided against workers and consumers.** He argued that the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, the entity created to protect consumers after the 2008 financial crisis, is unconstitutional. He fought Net Neutrality. Kavanaugh also dissented in a case upholding OSHA’s fines against SeaWorld after a killer whale mauled a trainer to death. He argued that OSHA’s worker protections against death and significant injury were “paternalistic.”

- **Kavanaugh undermined civil rights.** He upheld a South Carolina voter ID law that disadvantaged people of color and refused to reaffirm the importance of the Voting Rights Act. He ruled against victims of workplace discrimination. He was contemptuous of the notion that a person with a disability should have a say in their own medical care.

- **Kavanaugh voted to eviscerate protections for clean air and clean water.** In one case, where his decision was overruled by the Supreme Court, he rejected an EPA rule regarding toxic pollution that the EPA estimated could prevent between 13,000 and 34,000 premature deaths and 19,000 hospital visits. In another case, he argued it should be harder for the EPA to prevent coal companies from dumping toxic mining waste.

- **Kavanaugh believes in almost unfettered executive power.** He questioned the Court’s decision in U.S. v. Nixon and argued that criminal investigations and prosecutions of the President should be deferred while he is in office. He wrote that “Congress should give back to the President the full power to act when he believes that a particular independent counsel is ‘out to get him.’”