

We came out here today, not to promote one solution to the problem of gun violence and mass shootings, because there is no one perfect solution; but we met because we all believe that together, there *is a* solution. It doesn't come from one political party, and it doesn't come from one group gaining more power than another. It comes from common sense and common ground. The issue of gun violence has been plaguing America for decades, and to the rest of the world we seem childish and incapable of working together to save the lives of our students and friends. The adults have failed us. We, however, have the opportunity - as the rising generation - ***to lay this issue -and not another student- to rest***: to break down the boundaries of political parties, and come together as human beings and citizens to save the lives of our fellow students, and our future children. By coming today you are making your voices heard, and there is *still more you can do*. If you are old enough to vote, register to vote! If you can write, let the men and women who swore they would represent you know how *you* feel! If our voices, and the voices of murdered teenagers and children from across the country keep coming to them, change will have to come to us!