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Millennials to Rally Monday to “Shine A Light on Big Oil Corruption” during Fossil Fuel Lobbying Event at DC Trump Hotel

Angered by big money corruption and climate disruption, the youth-led Sunrise Movement will disrupt Independent Petroleum Association of America’s “Congressional Call-Up” on March 5

WASHINGTON, DC— On March 5th, the Independent Petroleum Institute of America, a fossil fuel industry lobbying group, will open their “Congressional Call-Up”—an annual lobbying event that includes meetings with Republican lawmakers and the industry-friendly EPA—at the Trump International Hotel in Washington, DC.

In response, Sunrise—a youth-led grassroots movement mobilizing to stop climate change and end the fossil fuel industry’s corrupting influence on American politics—is organizing a rally and protest on Monday evening to “shine a light” on the fossil-fueled corruption and greed represented by the Trump Hotel event.

“There could be no better symbol of the corrupting influence of Big Oil over our government than having a high-dollar fossil fuel lobbying event at the Trump Hotel. That’s unacceptable—so we’re standing up to the fossil fuel billionaires who are wrecking our generation’s futures for the sake of their bottom line,” said Stephanie Tulowetzke, a volunteer organizer with Sunrise in DC.

“If our government were beholden to people, not big polluters with deep pockets, we could finally unite to take on the climate crisis—the defining challenge of our generation,” said Varshini Prakash, a Sunrise Movement leader.

WHAT: Young people, organized by Sunrise Movement, will rally at the Trump International Hotel during a major fossil fuel industry lobbying event to “Shine A Light on Big Oil Corruption” and demand solutions to the crisis of climate change.

WHEN: Monday, March 5th, 2018, 5:15 PM

WHERE: Trump International Hotel DC, 12th Street NW and Pennsylvania Avenue NW (Front Steps)

More information:

- Facebook event for Monday’s protest: <https://www.facebook.com/events/211690839576449/>
- More information about Sunrise: <https://sunrisemovement.org>

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