June 2024 GAP Advocacy Action

S. Res 684 - Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance

- 1. Got only 5 mins? <u>Use this RESULTS online action</u> to reach your Senators and request that they co-sponsor the Senate Resolution on Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance <u>S. Res 684</u> (soon there will be a companion resolution in the House!).
- 2. Have some more time? Write directly to the foreign policy aide for Senators!
 - Check <u>the RESULTS Scorecard</u> for past support of Gavi, or Maternal and Child Health more generally
 - Find your Senators' foreign policy aide, you can do so using the <u>Legislator Lookup at the RESULTS website</u>. Let your coach know if you need help! (email format: <u>FirstName.LastName@SenatorLastName.senate.gov</u>).
- 3. Follow up until you hear back!

Sample Appropriations Message for Foreign Policy Aide
Please edit and personalize, share why you care about this issue, or how it connects to you.

Dear NAME,

My name is YOUR NAME, I am a constituent, a returned Peace Corps volunteer, and volunteer advocate with RESULTS. I am reaching out to you on a critical and timely resolution that I hope Senator NAME will consider co-sponsoring that has the potential to save millions of lives.

Every year, almost 5 million children die before their fifth birthdays of mainly preventable causes. Last year, more than 700,000 children died from pneumonia, despite the fact there are safe vaccines around \$2.00 per dose. Vaccines are one of the most cost effective interventions to save lives and prevent illness. Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance has helped to vaccinate over 1 billion children, preventing more than 17.3 million child deaths since 2000.

Share why this is particularly important to you

US Leadership will make all the difference at the upcoming Gavi pre-pledging conference on June 20 in France, and later this year at the full pledging conference. Senators Wicker and Cardin are lead cosponsors of <u>S. Res 684</u> - a resolution which calls on the United States to take a supporting role in helping save the lives of children, and protecting the health of people in low-income countries with vaccines and immunization through Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance. **Will Senator NAME co-sponsor S. Res 684?**

Please see the following <u>fact sheet</u> which provides more information on the critical role Gavi has played to save lives.

I hope to hear back from you soon on the Senator's support. His/Her/Their action will save countless lives!

Thank you, Your Name

Volunteer Advocate