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Democracy in the Balance: Corporate Power in Politics Forum II on May 19

The U.S. Supreme Court's January decision in *Citizens United v. FEC* lifted limits on corporate and union spending on political campaigns. Questions remain about how the ruling will affect elections and our democracy. What can concerned citizens do today to preserve fair elections? The four local groups that presented a public forum in March are continuing their collaboration with "**Democracy in the Balance: Corporate Power in Politics II**" on Wednesday, May 19, 2010, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Church Hall at First Parish Church in Concord, 20 Lexington Rd., Concord, MA. This free forum is open to all.

The program will feature **Mary Zepernick**, a researcher for the Program on Corporations, Law & Democracy and a board member of the Women's International League of Peace & Freedom. Ms. Zepernick will explain a broad constitutional amendment option being offered by Legalize Democracy (<http://movetoamend.org>). In addition, **State Senator James B. Eldridge** (Middlesex and Worcester Dist.) and **State Representative Cory Atkins** (14th Middlesex Dist.) will speak about resolutions they are sponsoring on Beacon Hill to address corporate spending in elections. Information on the federal DISCLOSE Act bill will also be available.

Democracy in the Balance is co-sponsored by the Alliance for Democracy, North Bridge chapter; Carlisle Climate Action; ConcordCAN (Concord Climate Action Network); and the League of Women Voters of Concord-Carlisle. For more information, visit www.lwvcc.com, email DemocracyForum@lwvcc.com or call 978-369-3842.

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