



**SUN MAY 8, 2005 4:00 P.M.  
Call for a GENERAL  
CONGRESS of WOMEN**

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Mother's Day as we gather in front

of the Vietnam War Memorial on the capitol grounds in Sacramento Sunday  
May 8<sup>th</sup> to declare "All we want for Mother's Day is the troops home from  
Iraq NOW". We know that all too soon there will be yet another war  
memorial – we need to make this our very final one!

We're calling on mothers, daughters, grandmothers to join **CODEPINK:**  
Women for Peace, Gold Star Families for Peace, Central Committee for  
Conscientious Objectors, other groups and individuals as we embrace Julia  
Ward Howe's direction to first "bemoan & commemorate the dead" and then  
call for a "General Congress of Women without limit of nationality" to  
promote the "great & general interests of peace".

**Start: 4:00 p.m. at Vietnam War Memorial, Capitol Grounds,  
Sacramento State Capitol**

**Finish: 6:00p.m. with Circles for Peace**

We, the women of one country  
Will be too tender of those of another country  
To allow our sons to be trained to injure theirs....  
From the voice of a devastated Earth a voice goes up with  
Our own. It says: "Disarm! Disarm!  
The sword of murder is not the balance of justice."  
Blood does not wipe our dishonor,  
Nor violence indicate possession.....

Julia Ward Howe, Mother's Day Proclamation, 1870



We ask women to bring our ideas for future actions for peace and to  
end war - such as the call to return our National Guard - and share with  
each other as we continue to build a strong, active women's movement  
for peace & justice.

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