Take a good look at this picture, Reid. It was taken just a few days ago -- and it's a stark image of what global warming is doing to our planet:

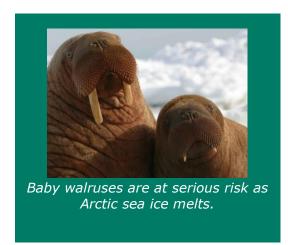


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**Those tiny dots are 35,000 Pacific walruses** -- mothers and babies included, stranded on the coast of Alaska. It's the largest gathering ever recorded. **The walruses are crammed together there because they can't find any sea ice to rest on.** It's all melted.

This isn't normal walrus behavior -- in fact, it's very dangerous for the baby walruses, who are at risk of being trampled on land. But despite the evidence right in front of them that our world is changing -- and melting --around us, radical members of Congress continue to deny climate change science.

And unless we do something to stop them, even more extreme climate change deniers are poised to join the Senate and push through legislation that will block any and all efforts to protect our environment and wildlife.



There's only one way to stop this destruction -- defeat climate science deniers and replace them with climate champions. Pitch in just \$5 or more to LCV Victory Fund today and help get environmental voters to the polls where it matters most >>

We are on the ground in battleground states -- like North Carolina, Colorado, and Iowa -- where environmental champions are taking on climate science deniers. Polls show that

these races could be decided by a few thousand votes. This is a huge opportunity for the environmental movement to flex its political muscle and get more legislators in office who will do something about the urgent climate crisis.

And make no mistake -- this *is* a crisis. It's normal for sea ice to recede as temperatures rise during the summer, but for the past several years, the edge has eroded further and further into the deep waters of the Arctic Ocean. This is among the lowest extent of sea ice we've seen since satellites started tracking this phenomenon, and it's having a devastating impact on walruses and other sea mammals who rely on the ice to survive.

We can't afford to sit back and watch while the oceans warm and rise -- and we can't afford to sit back and watch while Big Oil and their allies spend millions of dollars to buy friends in Congress. We need leaders who will take decisive action to address climate change in the Senate -- but it's up to us to put them there.

We can push climate champions to victory in Colorado, Iowa, North Carolina, and elsewhere, but we need your help to do it. Please chip in and make a donation of \$5 or more to LCV Victory Fund today.

Thank you,

Gene Karpinski President

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