

**Change Can't Wait (with Ayanna Pressley)**  
**Mike Delaney 10/12/18**

Refrain:

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**Chorus:**

**Change can't wait**  
**Change can't wait**  
**Change is going to come**  
**It's busting through the gate**  
**Change can't wait**  
**Change can't wait**

Are you ready to come along with me?  
Are you ready to bring the change?

For the victims of senseless gun violence  
For our brothers and sisters behind the wall

Chorus

For our immigrants living in fear  
Worried about the knock on the door

To women both young and old  
Whose rights are perpetually under attack

Chorus

To our neighbors who may not be like us  
Who feel it's them against the world

To the many families like mine  
Who feel the government doesn't see us

Chorus x2

In G:

Chorus:

C D7 G Em

G C G C

G D7 G G

Verse:

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## Change Can't Wait

Ayanna Pressley

...I think there may be a song there. Something uplifting and inspiring.

“Are you ready to come to Congress with me? Are you ready to bring change to Washington?”

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For our brothers and sisters behind the wall, change can't wait.

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To the residents of the 7th congressional district, change can't wait.

To the many families like my own, who grew up feeling like it was us versus the world, that the government didn't reflect us, didn't represent us, didn't advocate for us, didn't see us, change can't wait.”

She preached a similar message during her victory speech Tuesday night. “Are you ready to come to Congress with me? Are you ready to bring change to Washington?” she said to cheers. “For the families and victims of senseless gun violence, change can't wait. For our brothers and sisters behind the wall, change can't wait. For our immigrants worried about the knock on the door, change can't wait. To women whose rights are perpetually under attack, change can't wait. To the residents of the 7th congressional district, change can't wait. To the many families like my own, who grew up feeling like it was us versus the world, that the government didn't reflect us, didn't represent us, didn't advocate for us, didn't see us, change can't wait.”

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/travel/article/ayanna-pressleys-victory-speech-change-cant-wait/vp-BBMTcWa>

On the day of the congressional election Pressley told [reporters](#), “this is a fight for the soul of our party and the future of our democracy. This is a disruptive candidacy, a grassroots coalition. It is broad and diverse and deep. People of every walk of life.”

Pressley ran on a campaign that was further to the left than her opponent Capuano, who is also seen as a progressive. Pressley's [Equity Agenda](#) as she titled it, sought change on a number of issues including immigration, criminal justice reform, healthcare, the environment, and housing. Pressley backs Medicare-for-all and the abolition of ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement). Pressley noted that her campaign slogan "change can't wait," was in reference to those who claimed her candidacy was disrupting the traditional order of Boston politics. "My mother did not raise me to ask for permission to lead," she said during her victory speech on Tuesday.

<https://www.peoplesworld.org/article/change-comes-to-boston-ayanna-pressley-makes-history/>

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