

## Inclusivity Not Included

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The 3rd annual Women's March strolled by over the weekend — a tiny fraction of its former self.

Two years ago, close to a million protesters converged on Washington, D.C., while this year's event "appeared to attract only thousands," The *Washington Post* reported, "mirroring lower turnout at marches . . . across the country."

"[A] movement that once bragged about its inclusivity," explained a separate news analysis, "has been roiled by reports of battles over diversity, hate speech and branding."

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In addition to squabbles over corporate ownership of the very name of the "Women's March," the leaders of the main organization have been accused of anti-Semitism. "Board members Linda Sarsour, Carmen Perez and Women's March, Inc., co-president Tamika Mallory, have publicly affiliated with and praised anti-Semitic Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan," notes the Capital Research



Center's *Influence Watch* website.

March founder Teresa Shook called on them to resign, charging "they have allowed anti-Semitism, anti-LGBTQIA sentiment and hateful, racist rhetoric to become a part of the platform . . ." The Democratic National Committee and a number of progressive groups have withdrawn their support.

But the "inclusivity" was always fake. As a "women's" march, it started out excluding half the population. Nothing wrong with women having events or organizations that focus on issues of particular interest to females; it's just not inclusive.

And let's not ignore that pro-life women were specifically booted from participating in the original 2017 event.

"Is the Women's March more inclusive this year?" a *USA Today* article asked before last year's pink-hatted festivities.

Apparently not. This year, everyone was excluded from the Eureka Women's March — cancelled because those hoping to participate were "overwhelmingly white."

With all this inclusion, no wonder we are so divided.

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