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## **Announcement of the filing of a class action against Gilbert Rozon**

*Montreal, November 27, 2017.* We are the victims of Gilbert Rozon. The not-for-profit organization *Les Courageuses*, which we formed recently, filed an application to be authorized to bring a class action today on our behalf. The action demands just compensation for the victims, but also an award of truly *exemplary* punitive damages in order not only to punish the perpetrator and deter similar behavior, but to signify the intensity with which our society denounces such behavior. We hope that our approach will inspire other victims to report abuse and prevent sexual assault not only in Quebec but elsewhere.

The time when men of power can sexually assault and harass women with impunity is over. Gilbert Rozon is a man of power who has sexually assaulted and harassed many women and girls for decades. According to information held at the moment, Gilbert Rozon has abused at least 20 victims over a period of 34 years between 1982 and 2016. It is clear, in our opinion, that the victims currently known only represent the tip of the iceberg. This is why we have chosen the path of collective action to obtain justice.

*Les Courageuses* are represented by two law firms specializing in class actions, Kugler Kandestin and Trudel Johnston & Lespérance.

**As the courts have been seized of this request, we will reserve our comments for the Court and we will not be granting interviews.**

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You will find in the attached PDF a copy of the application filed today in the Superior Court. For all other information, here are the contact details of our lawyers:

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