

CTA Name: Support ERA Resolution

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Description of the issue:

After our last CTA on the ERA, President Biden called on Congress to immediately enshrine the Equal Rights Amendment in the U.S. Constitution and formally protect women's rights nearly a century after lawmakers first raised them. In a statement, Biden urged Congress "to pass a resolution recognizing ratification of the ERA," saying recent legal analysis showed there was nothing preventing lawmakers from acting.

Congresswoman Jackie Speier (CA-14), Co-Chair of the Democratic Women's Caucus, and Congresswoman Carolyn B. Maloney (NY-12), Chairwoman of the Oversight and Reform Committee, unveiled a resolution recognizing that the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) has met all legal requirements to be recognized as the 28th Amendment to the Constitution. As of today, the ERA will guarantee long-sought constitutional protections against sex discrimination, and further empower Congress to enact legislation advancing gender equity. The resolution marks the two-year anniversary of Virginia's ratification of the ERA, the date the ERA is slated to go into effect. The resolution is cosponsored by 133 Members of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Call to Action:

We will call or email our Representatives and Senators to ask them to support this resolution to finally get the ERA into the Constitution.

Representative Betty McCollum:

202-225-6631

<https://mccollum.house.gov/contact/email>

Senator Amy Klobuchar:

202-224-3244

<https://www.klobuchar.senate.gov/public/email-amy>

Senator Tina Smith:

202-224-5641

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Script:

(You can thank Betty McCollum for co-sponsoring this resolution)

Dear Rep/Senator,

I am "Your Name" calling from "Your City". I'm a member of Indivisible St. Paul.

The Equal Rights Amendment has been ratified. Now it's time to enshrine it in our Constitution. Women in America have continued to be victims of insidious discrimination and the Constitution has been an apologist for the bad behavior. When 85 percent of United Nations member countries have placed the ERA in their constitutions, it's more than time that we do the same.

Until the ERA is recognized, we will not be able to address the gender wage gap, pregnancy discrimination, persistent and disturbing violations of the rights of survivors, and more.

I am asking you to support the new resolution affirming that the Equal Rights Amendment is the 28th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, introduced in the House of Representatives by Congresswoman Jackie Speier and Chairwoman Carolyn Maloney. January 27, 2022 marked the end of the two-year waiting period for the ERA to go into effect across the country.