



US WOMEN'S CAUCUS AT THE UN

Memo in Support of H.J.Res.35 and H.J.Res.79 and S.J.Res.6

The US Women's Caucus at the UN affirms the equal rights of men and women set forth in the Charter of the United Nations, ratified by the United States among the very first members. To realize those rights, the US Women's Caucus supports H.J.Res.35, the joint resolution seeking a constitutional amendment declaring that women shall have equal rights in the United States and every place subject to its jurisdiction. In addition, the US Women's Caucus supports H.J.Res.79 and S.J.Res.6, the joint resolutions seeking to eliminate the deadline for the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA).

The US Women's Caucus emphasizes the need to pass these resolutions in order to extend constitutional rights to women. Without the passage of the ERA, the US Constitution does not explicitly guarantee that the rights it protects are held equally by all citizens without regard to sex.

The passage of these resolutions would provide a clear judicial standard for deciding cases of sex discrimination, including cases of sexual assault, pay equity, and bodily autonomy. In addition, by ensuring equal rights between men and women, quality of life would increase for all people across the United States, as women would be able to participate more fully and freely within society.

The passage of resolutions H.J.Res.35, H.J.Res.79, and S.J.Res.6 are necessary for solidifying women's equality and human rights in the United States as affirmed by the UN Charter. Until then, women are in constant threat and battle of legal discrimination, which the US Women's Caucus stands firmly against.

The US Women's Caucus at the UN promotes and collaborates on the UN women's agenda and advocates for gender equality with women and girls of every class, race, culture, creed, sexual orientation, and gender identity, including those with disabilities.

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