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MEMORANDUM
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF ALASKA

TO: House Judiciary Committee

DATE: May 20, 1983

FROM: Paula Ziegler, President, League of Women Voters of Alaska

SUBJECT: SJR 1

The League of Women Voters of Alaska is appreciative of the House Judiciary committee's hearing SJR 1. The League strongly supports passage of this resolution.

The Equal Rights Amendment will provide a constitutional guarantee of equal protection under the law to women and men. This means that any protection extended to one sex under the law must be extended to both sexes. The basic principle is that gender should not be a factor in determining the legal rights and responsibilities of people.

The economic facts are indisputable:

- * 43% of the American work force is comprised of women.
- * Women earn only 59¢ for every \$1.00 earned by men.
- * Women work for the same reason as men: economic necessity.
- * 66% of all women work at low-paying, traditionally "female" jobs.
- * 33% of all female-headed families live in poverty.

The Equal Rights Amendment will not automatically erase the centuries of discriminatory attitudes and practices that have kept women economically dependent, nor will it automatically make jobs and opportunities available. But it will provide the constitutional foundation and public mandate necessary to the effective enforcement of laws already on the books as well as to future legislation addressing economic equity for women.

Reports from states with equal rights amendments (such as Alaska) refute the claims of opponents that dire things will come to pass with ERA. The terrible perils of coed bathrooms, rampant homosexual marriages, massive family instability and interference in the privacy of family relationships have simply not materialized.

We are all proud of the Alaskan tradition of individualism and opportunity. Remembering that "individuals" means men and women, help maintain opportunity for both by passing SJR 1.

Thank you.



Testimony on SJR #1 and HJR #5 May 20, 1983

I urge you to oppose the passage of SJR #1 and HJR #5 relating to the proposal by Congress of an Equal Rights Amendment.

Do you know that sex discrimination is already constitutional prohibited? Discrimination is a matter of enforcement, not a lack of laws.

Do you know that negative effects have resulted from the State ERA? It has disrured families and recently a study showed that women develop a housewife depression sydrome because feminists have told them they are deprived!

Do we want more loss of freedom for state's rights? ERA would take away the law making function of the State and give the Supreme Court the power to interpret and decide on this issue. After 100 years, the Supreme Court is still finding meanings in the 14th Amendment never imagined by its drafters.

Is this as simple as it appears?

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Testimony, May 20th, House Judiciary

We are opposed to SJR#1 because it will send an inaccurate message to Congress.

You may not have received all of the messages from across the state opposing SJR 1 because many of the people thought you were considering HJR #6 today, which is the identical resolution as SJR 1 without the traditional family statement. Therefore, I ask you to consider the opposition to HJR#6 as the same as to SJR#1.

What we all object to is the wrong message you would be giving Congress. Even though lines 1 and 2 of page 2 state "whereas adoption of this resolution does not minimize the state's support of and belief in traditional family values.", the whole resolution would negate this statement as experience has already nullified that statement.

There is no way, you can have ERA without affecting the traditional family.

In the Senate House Judiciary, many of us gave testimony showing negative effects from the State ERA, all of which affected the values of the traditional family, whether so-stated or not. Our testimony also made a lie out of lines 17-24, page 1 of this resolution. For example:

We gave testimony which proved that rather than enhancing the ability of all citizens to achieve their full potential, it hindered the ability of many to achieve that potential. (lines 17-19)

We gave testimony that proved negative results of the state ERA that affect us today to such an extent that there are now seven organizations in the State that we know of and many individuals fighting this resolution and the reintroduction of this subject into Congress. (lines 20-22)

We gave testimony that proved not only has the 1972 amendment created difficulties but it has also created discrimination and harassment of women by women. (lines 21-24)

On the attached page you will find a partial listing of some of the negative results we testified to in the senate.

One Senator stated that because his wife and children hadn't suffered any negative effects, therefore there were none. Naturally, if a family holds feminist views, they will not feel any negative effects. Being married, with children at home, does not automatically make your family traditional. It is your convictions and lifestyle that count.

We also have many single, divorced, widowed and elderly people who hold our views - they are the views of our great Judeo-Christian heritage for which we are fighting.

Kindly consider all the messages you have heard against HJR#6 and SJR #1 and reject this resolution since it does not send a true picture of the feelings of the people of Alaska to Washington

Partial Listing of Negative Results

- (a) Break-up of homes from counseling, by tax-payer funded counseling groups, dedicated to anti-/traditional family views.
- (b) Creation of a network of tax-payer funded organizations, all dedicated to political advocacy of anti-traditional family views.
- (c) Invasion of privacy and religious conviction and on-the-job harassment as in the O'Brien case.
- (d) The invasion into education of committees which took out of school textbooks teachings showing traditional men-women roles, religion and patriotism, substituting or leaving in only views which reflect the BBA philosophy.
- (e) The creation of the ailment, "housewife syndrome", a major mental health problem documented by Dr. Harold Voth, a prominent psychiatrist and psychoanalyst at the Menninger Foundation in Topeka, Kansas, and Dr. Herbert Freudenberg, co-author of Situational Anxiety.
- (f) Taxpayer supported day-care facilities which remove parents farther from their responsibilities and creates an ever growing dependency upon govt. to resolve all needs.
- (g) Taxpayer funding of abortions because of their equalization principle, a corner-stone principle of socialism.
- (h) Tax-payer funding of family planning services, which interfere between parent and child relationships.
- (i) Affirmative action in job-hiring practices, a form of discrimination itself.
- (j) Attempts to reduce womens(preferential car insurance rates.
- (k) Advocacy for homosexual/lesbian activities, trying to call these preferences rights.
- (l) The insistence in use of unwieldy non-sexist terms as "chairperson", due to their inflexible attitude against terms which mean all mankind.
- (m) The extreme expense the State has had to bear to promote the views of one group of women over another.
- (n) The pitting of women against women and causing a major division and disruption in society.

Kindly review testimony given before Senate House Judiciary for testimony of personal negative results.

Leo Miller

My name is Barbara Tyndall. I am a wife and the mother of five children, ages three to thirteen.

I am here today in opposition to Senate Joint Resolution #1, the Equal Rights Amendment. I see no reason for this bill. Its purpose and intent cannot be to protect women in the working world. I have before me over twenty pages of laws and listed agencies that protect women from everything from equal pay for equal work to sexual harrasment on the job. These agencies are both state and federal.

Because of the vague language of the Equal Rights Amendment, many of us fear it could be interpreted to give rights to homosexuals and lesbians, work toward creating a unisex society, and force our daughters into military service. This fear is particularly real to us since many feminist organizations, such as NOW, have proclaimed these very things as their goals and desires for the future and look to the Equal Rights Amendment as a tool to acheive these goals.

I have heard many verbal promises that these things will never happen and the Equal Rights Amendment will never be interpreted in this negative way. Will these verbal agreements stand up in court? Will they protect me and my family from the negative aspects of the ERA? No, they will not. I have looked for some qualifying statements to be added to this bill to protect the traditional family from the possible harmful aspects ~~of this bill~~. Senator Bill Bay attempted to alleviate some of these fears and attach an amendment that would guarantee us protection in these areas. The fact that this amendment was all but eliminated has increased my fears even further. Is it possible that "gay" rights, a unisex society and the death of the traditional family are really the goals and purposes behind this bill? I believe they are.

I am tired of this issue. For ten years we have been squabbling as a nation over the Equal Rights Amendment. It has been defeated. Why are we resurrecting it again? It can only hurt and divide us.

Please kindly cast your vote against SJR 1 and see that this bill is defeated in the House. Thank you very much.

Barbara P. Tyndall

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Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen. My name is
Betty Livingston. I am speaking on behalf of myself
and future generations.

Section I of the Equal Rights Amendment states
that equality of rights shall not be denied or abridged
on account of sex. I think this will be interpreted
to mean that what is required of men will also
be required of women and what is provided for
men will likewise be provided for women. Clearly,
we want equal pay for equal work. But ERA
will also mean equality in the draft for women
including mothers, the loss of protective laws for
women such as weight ~~restrictions~~ lifting requirements
on the job, rest periods, separate bath and living
quarters. I believe ERA will actually rob women
of protective laws + rights that we have today.

On April 15, 1975 Judy Walker in Pennsylvania
denied unemployment compensation to 4 women
who refused to apply for a job which required
lifting 40 to 150 lbs.

On Alaska and Pa. states under state ERA,
whether they have children to care for or not, are
legally responsible for family support.

The Dan Jack Stone Report has already
acknowledged the necessity for more child
care centers as women are forced by ERA
to work outside the home.

ERA will eliminate a wife's right to draw
S.S. on her husband's earnings.

It will be illegal, under ERA, to give lower
auto and life insurance rates to women
simply because they are women, even though
they statistically have a lower risk factor.

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Sex crimes laws which protect the public of
our society, such as seduction laws,
statutory rape laws and manifest danger
laws would not be permitted under ERA

The "separate but equal" doctrine would not
be permissible for the male and female,
married or not, under ERA. This means
public bathrooms in schools for our children,
universities, colleges, hospitals, and government
subsidized operations. This is already evident
in the Alaska Marine Ferry where employees
share bathrooms and restrooms.

These are all realities admitted by both pro-ERA
and anti-ERA proponents. Representative Edwin
Sweeney, the author and sponsor of Title IX
even admitted that it has been held for
ridiculous rulings never ~~intended~~ intended by Congress.

The Supreme Court is still searching new meanings in the 14th Amendment, ratified 100 years ago. The implications and possibilities of for EKA are staggering and endless.

If you think these concerns are invalid and extreme, I would like to ask you this:

When the abortion amendment was ratified in 1973, do you think the proponents intended that babies would be aborted thru the 9th month of pregnancy, still breathing, and crying and left in a bucket to die?
Ladies and gentlemen, this is happening today, all across America.

Thank you.