**ERA Action Alert Template**

Subject: Take Action: Contact Congress today!

Dear **[First Name]**,

More than 100 years after some women gained the right to vote, people in the United States are still not constitutionally guaranteed equality on the basis of sex. The Equal Rights Amendment(ERA) will fix this.

More than three years ago, Virginia became the 38th and final state needed to ratify the ERA. Now we are urging Congress to officially recognize the ERA as the 28th Amendment. [Tell Congress to affirm that the ERA is a valid part of the Constitution.](https://www.lwv.org/take-action/tell-congress-equality-belongs-constitution)

When Congress passed the ERA in 1972, it put in the amendment preamble a time limit for state ratification. As the time limit passed before all 38 states ratified the amendment, Congress can take action to remove any doubts about the validity of the ERA.

Despite the significant legal and legislative advances that have been made in recent decades, women continue to face discrimination on the basis of sex. The symptoms of this systemic discrimination are apparent in the ongoing fights against unequal pay, workplace harassment, pregnancy discrimination, domestic violence, and limited access to comprehensive health care. It is not enough to treat the symptoms; we must address the root cause of inequality.

The ongoing reality of sex discrimination and the longstanding necessity for constitutional protection is unequivocally apparent in the Supreme Court’s ruling in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization*, whicherodes a fundamental right that women and people who may become pregnant have held for nearly 50 years. We have already seen nationwide the devastating consequences of this decision, which underscores the vital need for constitutional protections against the denial of equal rights.

The fight for theEqual Rights Amendment is 100 years old this year, and support for it across the country is stronger than ever. Nearly seventy-five percent of Americans support the ERA according to polling from Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research. It is time for Congress to critically affirm the enshrinement of sex equity into the Constitution. [Contact Congress today!](https://www.lwv.org/take-action/tell-congress-equality-belongs-constitution)

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