

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

## SUPPORT GENDER EQUITY IN THE UNITED STATES

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Dear Colleague,

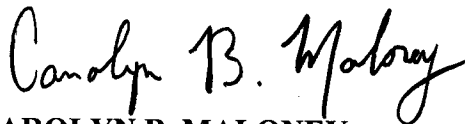
With the growing attention to the importance of worldwide equal rights for women, it is **OUTRAGEOUS** that unlike the constitutions of over 50 nations, the United States Constitution still does not guarantee its female citizens equal rights with men.

The following are just a few countries which have explicit statements on women's equality or non-discrimination based on gender in their constitutions:

Austria	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Canada	Ethiopia	Fiji
Finland	Hungary	Japan	Madagascar	Mexico
Portugal	South Africa	Switzerland	Thailand	Turkey

I urge you to support H.J.Res.40, the Women's Equality Amendment. It is time the United States made a statement and guaranteed its female citizens the same rights as its male citizens. For more information about H.J.Res.40, or to become a cosponsor, please contact me or have your staff contact Mimi Aledo at 5-7944.

Sincerely



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