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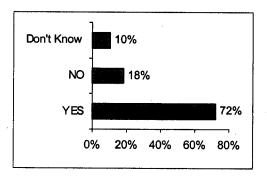
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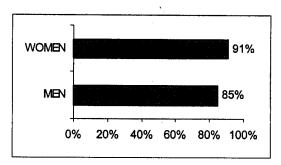
## 7 out of 10 people surveyed think that the Constitution ALREADY makes it clear that male and female citizens are entitled to *equal rights*.\*

"As far as you know, does the Constitution of the United States make it clear that male and female citizens are supposed to have equal rights?"



When they learn it does not, NINE out of every Ten Americans, both MEN and WOMEN believe the Constitution should state that male and female citizens are entitled to equal rights.

"In your opinion, SHOULD the Constitution make it clear that male and female citizens are supposed to have equal rights?" Yes:



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Dear Colleague,

Although most Americans believe that women have the same rights as men under our Constitution, they are mistaken. Men's rights are guaranteed by specific language in the Constitution. Women's rights are secured only at the whim of Congress or state legislatures.

It is time women's rights **were** embedded in the CONSTITUTION. Men do not rely on Congress to ensure them the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Why should American women have their rights subject to the mercy of politicians?

It is time equality is guaranteed to all persons regardless of gender. 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,

CAROLYN B. MALONEY

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<sup>\*</sup>Survey conducted by Opinion Research Corporation Caravan Services in July 2001. Sample size 1,002 adults, 500 men 502 women 95% confidence level