H. J. RES. 61

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to equal rights for men and women.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

July 21, 2009

Mrs. Maloney (for herself, Ms. Speier, Mr. Boucher, Ms. Schakowsky, Mr. George Miller of California, Mrs. Capps, Ms. Baldwin, Ms. Matsui, Mr. Meek of Florida, Mr. McGovern, Ms. Jackson-Lee of Texas, Mr. Loebsack, Mr. Yarmuth, Mr. Tierney, Mr. Inslee, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. FARR, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. SARBANES, Ms. Delauro, Ms. Zoe Lofgren of California, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Olver, Ms. Watson, Mr. Sherman, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Ellison, Ms. Hirono, Ms. Woolsey, Ms. Tsongas, Ms. Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas, Ms. Richardson, Mr. Fattah, Mr. Crowley, Mr. Johnson of Georgia, Mr. Braley of Iowa, Ms. Herseth Sandlin, Mr. Israel, Mr. SIRES, Mr. EDWARDS of Texas, Mr. CLAY, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. DINGELL, Mrs. BIGGERT, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. Stark, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Grayson, Mr. Filner, Mr. Cuellar, Ms. Kilroy, and Ms. Loretta Sanchez of California) introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

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- 1 Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives
- 2 of the United States of America in Congress assembled
- 3 (two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the fol-

- 1 lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-
- 2 stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all
- 3 intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
- 4 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several
- 5 States:
- 6 "Article—
- 7 "Section 1. Equality of rights under the law shall
- 8 not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any
- 9 State on account of sex.
- "Section 2. The Congress shall have the power to
- 11 enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this
- 12 article.
- "Section 3. This amendment shall take effect two
- 14 years after the date of ratification.".

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