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## Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about equal rights. I grew up watching my mother's activism around school funding, nuclear concerns and the equal rights amendment making today's 38th state ratification Virginia particularly gratifying. The continuing relevance of an ERA nearly a century after it's introduction is clear from your misogyny and attacks on transgender soldiers along with last night's Democratic debate in which the electability of women featured prominently. After so long the new 28th amendment faces legal complexity but a bipartisan bill in the House Judiciary Committee would remove the original deadline and clear up many of the issues. Unfortunately the DOJ Office of Legal Council has already issued a hostile finding through Assistant Secretary Engel with the reported backing of his boss (General Barr) as well as his boss (yourself).

Please assure me that you will work to make the Equal Rights Amendment official.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our constitution.

Sincerely, Eric Babson