



## **167 Million Women & Girls need your help right now!**

**We urge you to contact these supportive Governors today, so they help us urge the President and Vice President to save reproductive rights and guarantee equality for all.**

Activists:

The country is reeling in the wake of the *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* decision, which overturned *Roe v. Wade* and *Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pa. v. Casey*, leaving women's rights to bodily autonomy and reproductive freedom to the whims of state politicians, and eviscerating women's right to equal protection, bring women's rights back to the 1850s.

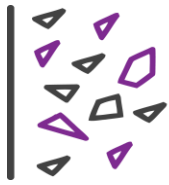
Federal elected officials are scrambling to try to address the issue. They continue to call upon President Biden to take bold action. However, most have yet to demand publication of the Equal Rights Amendment ("ERA") even though they know that publication of the ERA will save *Roe v. Wade* and guarantee equality for all.

While we continue our discussions and meetings with the White House and U.S. Senators and Representatives, there is an additional group we are targeting – certain pro-choice, pro-equality Governors – to help us continue to put pressure on the Biden/Harris Administration to publish the ERA as required by law.

As a result of the Dobbs decision, women's reproductive rights will be determined by the states and, therefore, will differ based on where they live. Twenty-six states will, in all likelihood, have a total ban in the very near future, including Kentucky, Michigan, and Wisconsin. The burden of this crisis weighs heavily on these Governors.

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There is a huge grassroots effort as well as political pressure being placed on the Biden/Harris Administration!



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**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!**

**We must convince the Governors, who will be on the front lines, to join our efforts to motivate the White House to direct publication of the ERA as required by law. The ERA is currently the 28<sup>th</sup> Amendment. Its publication – a simple ministerial act – is the only thing that could put an end to the baseless attacks against women, bodily autonomy and the LGBTQ+ community!**

**TO HELP, PLEASE TAKE A FEW MINUTES RIGHT NOW AND WRITE TO THE GOVERNORS BELOW. THANK YOU!**

**1. Email the Governors of California, New York, Illinois, New Jersey, Washington, New Mexico, Colorado, Maryland, and North Carolina** – please email each of the Governors through their contact pages found [here](#), and email a copy to each Governor’s Chief of Staff as well. Below is a sample letter to copy and paste or you can create your own.

Dear Governor \_\_\_\_\_:

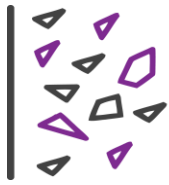
I am writing because girls’ and women’s lives are at stake as a result of the Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization decision, overturning Roe v. Wade and Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pa. v. Casey and determining that there is no right to an abortion under the U.S. Constitution.

We need your help right now to prevent this.

As you know, in the wake of the Dobbs decision and in the absence of federal intervention, women’s reproductive rights will be determined by the states and, therefore, will differ based on where they live. Twenty-six states will, in all likelihood, have a total ban in the very near future.

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However, there is a federal solution that will ensure all women and girls, regardless of where they live, can access reproductive healthcare and, at the same time, guarantee equality for all – publication of the federal Equal Rights Amendment (“ERA”). The ERA guarantees equal protection based on sex, a right the Supreme Court indicated in Dobbs women no longer have.



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As determined by hundreds of constitutional scholars, the ERA became the 28th Amendment to the Constitution on January 27, 2020, the date Virginia became the 38th state to ratify the ERA. See Opinions of constitutional scholars Laurence Tribe (<https://oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/ERA%2050th%20Anniversary%20%28Prof.%20Tribe%20Letter%29.pdf>) and Russ Feingold (<https://oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/ERA%2050th%20Anniversary%20%28Russ%20Feingold%20Letter%29.pdf>)

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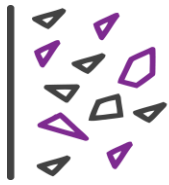
Shockingly, the Biden Administration continues to block publication of the ERA, despite acknowledging that it has been ratified. In fact, Biden's Administration continues Trump's fight against the ERA in Court - even after Senators and activists urged publication – knowing that publication of the ERA saves Roe v. Wade for all Americans and guarantees equality for all. See Letter from Senators Blumenthal, Klobuchar, and Cortez Masto and Congresswomen Maloney and Spier (<https://www.blumenthal.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/125.22olceraletter.pdf>).

Right now, as I write to you, Democrats in Congress and the Administration are sitting by, allowing the President to continue Trump's anti-women campaign. States across the country with ERAs in their constitution are successfully using this powerful tool to fight the barrage of attacks on reproductive rights. Telling us to vote is unacceptable when the Democrats have the power to fix this now.

As a strong supporter of women's rights and someone who consistently takes action, your powerful voice is desperately needed. Please publicly demand President Biden direct publication of the Equal Rights Amendment to save reproductive rights for all Americans and guarantee equality for all. Lives depend on it.

Thank you,

**2. Email Governors of Kentucky, Michigan and Wisconsin** – please email the Governors at their contact pages found [here](#), and send a copy via email to each Governor's Chief of Staff. Below is a sample letter to copy and paste or you can create your own. This email is different because their constituents are facing imminent bans, which their state legislatures are likely to support.



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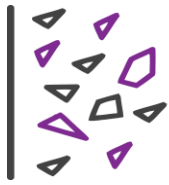
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### 3. Tweets/Social Media

We are actively monitoring the social media accounts of the President, Vice President, U.S. Senators and Governors. As they comment on reproductive rights or equality, we urge them to demand the President to direct publication of the ERA. We also respond to comments under their posts and tweets to educate others, including the links in our letter to the Governors. You can find the Governors' twitter handles [here](#). Please like/retweet our tweets and comments and post your own. For your convenience, here are the key links (there are more) to the authorities to support the tweets/social posts:

[Letter from Laurence Tribe Stating ERA is 28<sup>th</sup> Amendment](#)

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[Interview with Constitutional Scholar Russ Feingold stating that ERA is law and can help overturn \*Dobbs\*. \(Starts at 20:00\)](#)