

RESOLUTION NO. 20, March 27, SERIES 2001

A Resolution Relating to the Ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women

WHEREAS, the Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on December 18, 1979, became an international treaty on September 3, 1981 and by 1999, over 1/4's of the world, 165 nations, have agreed to be bound by the Convention's provisions; and

WHEREAS, the United States supports and has a position of leadership in the United Nations, and has been an active participant in the drafting and is a signatory to the Convention; and

WHEREAS, the spirit of the Convention is rooted in the goals of the United Nations, and the United States, to affirm faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person, and in the equal rights of men and women; and

WHEREAS, The Convention provides a comprehensive framework for challenging the various forces that have created and sustained discrimination based on sex against half the world's population, and the nations in support of the present Convention have agreed to follow Convention prescriptions; and

WHEREAS, although women have made major gains in the struggle for equality in social, business, political, legal, educational, and other fields in this century, there is much yet to be accomplished and through its support, leadership and prestige, the United States can help create a world where women are no longer discriminated against and have achieved one of the most fundamental of human rights, equality; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY JEFFERSON COUNTY FISCAL COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY:

The Jefferson County Fiscal Court exhorts The Senate Foreign Relations Committee to pass this treaty favorable out of Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Jefferson County Fiscal Court strongly urges the Senate of the United States to ratify the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women and supports the Convention's continuing goals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of Jefferson County Fiscal Court send a copy of this Resolution to the President of the United States Senate, the Chair of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, the members of the Foreign Relations Committee and to all the members of the Kentucky Congressional Delegation.

Handwritten signature of Rebecca Jackson
Rebecca Jackson
Jefferson County Judge/Executive

Handwritten signature of Sandra Moore
Sandra Moore
Fiscal Court Clerk

Approved as to Form and Legality

Handwritten signature of Susan Spickard
Susan Spickard
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