

ERA Press Release – Zonta International District 11

On September 29, 2006, delegates to the 58th Annual Conference of Zonta District 11 on Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, unanimously voted to adopt an ERA Resolution endorsing the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment. The District resolution encourages members of District clubs to educate themselves about the need for including the Equal Rights Amendment in the U.S. Constitution and to work with others in their respective states to advocate for state ratification. This is the second consecutive year that delegates to the District 11 annual conference unanimously adopted an ERA Resolution. District 11 also created a subcommittee on Legislative Awareness and Advocacy to coordinate the ERA effort.

The 2006 Annual District Conference also devoted an entire plenary session to the ERA, ***The Equal Rights Amendment: Staying the Course to Gender Equality***. Speaker, Idella Moore, founder and Executive Officer of 4ERA (a single-issue, non-partisan organization whose mission is to finish ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment) both inspired and informed delegates of the need for adding the ERA to the Constitution.

District 11 encompasses 39 clubs in the southeast and 5 in the Bahamas and Puerto Rico. Thirty-eight of the southeastern US clubs are located in states that have not yet ratified the Equal Rights Amendment.

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