# "My Rights – On Pause for 75 Years" The Equal Rights Amendment

# **Event Option 1: Pressing Play—Watch, Learn, and Act**

Suggested Agenda:

- 1. Welcome and introductions
- 2. Watch the *Equal Means Equal* documentary. Equal Means Equal has agreed to let DA view the documentary for free and the link will be shared soon.

Participants could have a potluck with movie snacks and beverages.

#### 3. Discussion

List of possible discussion questions:

- What's something you learned from the documentary that you didn't know before?
- What does "equality" mean to you?
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- Does anyone feel comfortable sharing why the fight for equality feels personal to them?

## 4. Activity/Action

- Record a video message (script can be provided) to send to the state legislature of <u>the</u> states that have not yet ratified the <u>ERA</u>
- <u>Write postcards</u> to the governors and/or attorneys general of <u>the states that have not yet</u> ratified the <u>ERA</u>
- Take photos with ERA selfie frame and send them to the Global Women's Caucus

# **Event Option 2: Equality is No Trivial Matter**

Suggested Agenda:

1. Welcome and Introductions

#### 2. ERA Trivia

The host will ask participants <u>trivia questions</u> about women's rights in the U.S. and worldwide. Participants can form teams or answer independently. The winner should receive some sort of Democrats Abroad or Women's Caucus-related prize.

#### 3. Discussion

List of possible discussion questions:

- What's something you learned from the trivia questions that you didn't know before?
- Do you know any other "fun facts" about the ERA or women's rights?
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# **Event Option 3 - Getting Crafty**

Participants make signs for their local marches in the shape of shields (think Wonder Woman). Slogans could make a connection to protecting or defending our rights.

