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A MESSAGE FROM THE COALITION OF WOMEN DELEGATES

A CALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND YOUR RESPONSE

In this year of our bicentennial when we point with pride to the heritage of our Democratic institutions, we ask for your support in ensuring equal opportunity for women to participate in our Democratic Party.

FACTS

1920	WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE Democratic National Committee adopted rules to ensure equal representation of men and women on the DNC and on its Standing COMMITTEES.
1972	Democratic National Convention had a 40% participation of women
1974	Democratic Charter Reform Convention re-committed the Democratic Party to affirmative action. The Charter adopted specifically permits equal division between delegate men and delegate women
Today 1976	After all the effort of so many people and after so many years we join in a Convention where women are 1/3 the participants and men are 2/3 of the participants.

On our Nation's 200th Birthday we Democrats can take a major step in implementing the vision of our nation's founders---ensuring a representative voice for the governed.

HOW

The Rules Committee Minority Report will be presented to the delegates on Thursday. It calls for the Convention of 1980 having an equal participation of men and women.

WHY

This is-----an opportunity that comes only once in four years--for our Democratic Party to commit itself to the larger goal--of ensuring greater participation of women at all levels of government.

We need an adequately funded and staffed Women's Division to implement the priorities set by DEMOCRATIC WOMEN

We need women participating equally on all commissions within the National Democratic Party. We need more competent women at all levels of government.

WE NEED -- AS A FIRST STEP YOUR VOTE OF SUPPORT ON THE RULES COMMITTEE MINORITY REPORT. CAN WE COUNT, ON YOUR SUPPORT FOR THESE ISSUES AFFECTING DEMOCRATIC WOMEN?

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