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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to equal rights for men and women.

#### IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

#### March 15, 2005

Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. SARBANES, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. FEIN-STEIN, Mr. HARKIN, and Mr. DODD) introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

# JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to equal rights for men and women.

1 Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives 2 of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-3 thirds of each House concurring therein), That the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-4 5 stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when 6 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several 7 8 States:

### "ARTICLE —

2 "SECTION 1. Equality of rights under the law shall
3 not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any
4 State on account of sex.

5 "SECTION 2. The Congress shall have the power to6 enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this7 article.

8 "SECTION 3. This article shall take effect 2 years9 after the date of ratification.".

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