

Equal Rights Amendment

WHEREAS there are existing federal laws which guarantee equality of opportunity in important areas such as employment, education, and credit; and

WHEREAS a strict constitutional rule requiring equality between sexes at all times does not regard the practical or Scriptural differences between men and women regarding childbearing, physical strength and their God-given and respective roles to fulfill; and

WHEREAS the proposed Equal Rights Amendment would transfer enormous new powers from the states to the federal government;

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the messengers of the churches in fellowship with the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches, meeting in annual session in Lakeland, Florida, June 26–30, 1978, oppose the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment and affirm the Scriptural teaching that women are equal in status to men but subordinate to male authority in the home and church.

*Lakeland, Florida
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