

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**  
**ERA Amendment**

To the editor: A crucial nonpartisan human (women's) rights issue is on the N.C. legislative table. It's time has come!

As of March 5, North Carolina has a historic opportunity to become the 38th and final state needed to finally ratify the Equal Rights Amendment passed by Congress in 1972.

A 2016 poll conducted by the national ERA Coalition found that 94 percent of Americans supported an amendment to the Constitution guaranteeing equal rights for women and men. At that time, 35 states had ratified. But within the past two years, Nevada ratified (2017) and Illinois ratified (2018), leaving only one to go!

If you believe the ERA should be ratified by the N.C. Legislature in 2019, speak your voice and urge Sen. Chuck Edwards and Reps. Chuck McGrady and Cody Henson to support the two ERA bills to be introduced in the N.C. General Assembly on March 5. Their contact information is on page **A2** of the Times-News.

Information regarding ERA ratification in North Carolina is on the Alliance website at [www.era-nc.org](http://www.era-nc.org) and Facebook. com/ERANCAAlliance.

Let North Carolina be the state that makes the ERA the 28th amendment for America's women and men!

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