



The Honorable
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator,

On behalf of our 500,000 members nationwide, Concerned Women for America Legislative Action Committee (CWALAC) wishes to express our opposition to S. J. Res. 19, a resolution that seeks to alter the First Amendment. This legislation, introduced by Senator Tom Udall (D-New Mexico), would amend the United States Constitution and dramatically stifle free speech in the political arena.

The proposed resolution would restrict First Amendment free speech rights by authorizing unwarranted campaign finance regulations in the name of “legislative integrity” and “political equality.” Amending the Constitution in this manner would sanction more “top-down” control and, in turn, manipulate the election process by limiting political fundraising, spending, and contributions. Further, by specifically enumerating and protecting the “freedoms of the press,” this act discounts our other vital freedoms of religion, assembly, petition, etc.

By opposing this resolution, the *McCutcheon v. FEC* decision that rightly advocated unmitigated political speech, including monetary actions, would be upheld. The passage of this resolution would reverse that decision and not only gag individuals or groups who wish to participate in the political process, but add text to the Constitution that would likely become a slippery slope leading to a road of unjust bureaucratic entanglement.

We urge you to boldly oppose S. J. Res. 19 and thereby protect our First Amendment rights. CWALAC reserves the rights to score any and all votes in our annual scorecard.

Sincerely,

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