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Concerned Women for America of Virginia Applauds DOJ's ERA Ruling

Alexandria, Virginia – Concerned Women for America (CWA) of Virginia applauds the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Legal Counsel's ruling stating that the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) ratification from 40 years ago is dead. "The ERA cannot be resurrected, and the Virginia General Assembly should not waste its time trying to pass the ERA this session," states Dr. Toni DeLancey, State Director of CWA of Virginia. "If Virginia legislators are really concerned about women, they should instead spend this session focusing on measures that uphold the dignity and status of women, not turn back the clock." Dr. Delancey further recommends Virginia pass laws that:

- Uphold the status and dignity of women as uniquely female.
- Ensure justice for survivors of sexual assault.
- End the rape kit backlog.
- Protect women's rights to privacy and safety in sex-specific shelters, prisons, bathrooms, locker rooms, and dressing rooms.
- Advance female opportunities in sports, business, and education that women have worked decades to achieve, not allow any biological man who perceives he is a woman to take her place.
- Reject discrimination against women on the basis of our biological sex by confusing what it means to be female.

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