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THE NATIONAL PLAN OF ACTION OF THE NATIONAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

The National Board of Hadassah, in conference assembled, representing 370,000 members, supports efforts to protect the rights of women and does not accept differentiation of rights between men and women. It endorses the proposed Equal Rights Amendment as a statement of this principle.

We call upon President Carter, who has expressed support for the ERA, to participate more actively in gaining passage of legislation which will strengthen the legal status of women to assure full equality.

Hadassah endorses the following concepts of the Plan of Action of the U.S. Women's Conference as adopted in Houston in 1977 and as amended in Madison in 1979 calling for:

- Equal opportunity for women with consideration for the special problems of women as detailed in the National Women's Agenda -- in education, in the work place and in leadership in all the institutions and areas of public life;
- The expansion of services dealing with the special problems of women, and the revision of welfare and social security practices to provide full protection of women;
- Elimination of discrimination against women in laws, credit and insurance.