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## Nevada AAP Support for Equal Rights Amendment (ERA)

RESOLUTION ADOPTED 30 APRIL 2022

WHEREAS: the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) resolved in 2021 to support initiatives and education directed towards amending the US Constitution to guarantee equal rights; and

WHEREAS: the AAP published in 2019 the negative impact of gender discrimination and bias to be profound and far-reaching<sup>1</sup>; and

WHEREAS: at least 76% of countries in the world have constitutions guaranteeing equality for women<sup>2</sup>; and

WHEREAS: equal rights are not guaranteed in the US Constitution; therefore be it

RESOLVED: that the Nevada Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics supports adding a new section to the Nevada Constitution that states, "Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by this State or any of its political subdivisions on account of race, color, creed, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, ancestry or national origin."

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The Nevada Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics is incorporated in the state of Nevada.