

Battle Hymn of Equality

[sung to the tune of the Battle Hymn of the Republic]

Verse 1

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the ERA as law
We the people ratified it, there's no deadline and no flaw
It's in the Constitution, can't be overturned like law
Its truth is marching on!

Chorus

Glory, Glory ERA stands!
Glory, Glory ERA stands!
Glory, Glory ERA stands!
Equality is ours!

Verse 2:

Women bring forth life and hold the future fast within our grasp
A nation's strength is measured by how mothers' rights will last
Women are the cornerstone from which we humans all are cast
Her truth is marching on!

Chorus

Glory, Glory ERA stands!
Glory, Glory ERA stands!
Glory, Glory ERA stands!
Equality is ours!

Verse 3:

In Seventeen Seventy-Six men claimed democracy in name
In Eighteen Forty-Eight the women voiced their rightful claim
In Twenty-Two we finally reached the law that was our aim
Its truth is marching on

Chorus

Glory, Glory ERA stands!
Glory, Glory ERA stands!
Glory, Glory ERA stands!
Equality is ours!

Verse 4:

The Fourteenth speaks of equal laws—but not of women's place,
So the courts have failed to guard our rights with equal strength and grace
Without strict scrutiny in law, we have no equal space
The truth is marching on

Chorus

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Glory, Glory ERA stands!
Glory, Glory ERA stands!
Equality is ours!

Verse 5:

The Nineteenth gave the vote to women—nothing more than that
No equality before the law, no constitutional fact
A voice was gained—but not the equal rights that women sought
The truth is marching on

Chorus

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Glory, Glory ERA stands!
Equality is ours!

Verse 6:

The required states have ratified, the ERA is law
Yet it still stands unrequited and obstructed without cause
By those in power, right and left, a constitutional theft
The truth is marching on

Chorus

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Verse 7:

The people call for equal rights in every state and town
A democracy demands equality for women now
No nation stands as just and free where women's rights are bound

The truth is marching on

Chorus

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Verse 8:

Around the world, most nations name equality for all

While here that truth remains denied and casts a terrible pall

A nation cannot lead the world while failing to stand tall

The truth is marching on

Chorus

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Glory, Glory ERA stands!

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Verse 9:

The highest level of review is fairness' guarantee

Where justice recognizes rights of women's parity

No lesser test can guard the rights that make a people free

The truth is marching on

Chorus

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Glory, Glory ERA stands!

Equality is ours!

Verse 10:

I pledge to speak this truth aloud and never stand aside

I will claim the law that now exists and see it so applied

Until all women stand as equal cannot be denied

The truth is marching on

Final Chorus:

Glory, Glory ERA stands!

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Glory, Glory ERA stands!

Equality is ours!

Revised lyrics by Carol Bouldin 2026 - Based on original music composition by William Steffi (1856) and lyrics by Julia Ward Howe (1861)

In the spirit of 1776, the Declaration of Sentiments of 1848,
and the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment in 2020.

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