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May 2nd, 1916.

Honorable Harry H. Dale, M.C.
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Dear Sir:-

You are urgently requested to do all in your power to have the Amendment to the Federal Constitution, known as the "Susan B. Anthony Suffrage Amendment", reported out of the Judiciary Committee, so that it may be voted on in the House of Representatives at an early date.

We respectfully call your attention to the fact that our National Government is supported by the taxes collected from women citizens as well as men citizens, tho that is going directly against that cry for political liberty which our fore fathers threw into the very teeth of their oppressors -- "Taxation without representation is TYRANNY"! And we feel that legislation which affects all of the women of this nation has the same right to consideration by Congress that other important legislation should receive.

We wish you to know that the Texas Woman Suffrage Association, which is composed of many thousands of men and women, has endorsed the Federal Amendment for Woman Suffrage in it's Constitution, so that you may not labor under the delusion that we place State's Rights above Human Rights. But as this is not a question in which the State's Rights bogy is involved, since we are merely asking for the removal of a sex discrimination and not for any radical revision of the voting qualifications in any State, perhaps the above information is superfluous.

Very truly yours,

Minnie Fisher Cunningham

President.

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April 10, 1917.

Hon. Champ Clark,
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Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

On behalf of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, I write to ask that a Committee on Woman Suffrage be appointed in the House of Representatives as in the Senate of the Congress of the United States. We make this request because the Judiciary Committee, to which constitutional amendments are referred, is and always has been so occupied with other important questions, that it has never been able to give the consideration due to this measure, supported by so large a portion of our people.

May I remind you that the national governments of Great Britain, France and Russia have promised woman suffrage in the near future; and that the greater part of Canada has already established it within a few months. The leaders of these governments have announced that the vote has been or will be given to their women in recognition of the devotion, sacrifice, skill and endurance of women in their varied service to their country under the strain of war. Our Republic stands upon the threshold of what may prove the severest test of loyalty and endurance our country has ever had. It needs its women; and they are ready -- as fearless, as willing, as able, as loyal as any women of the world.

You have had a long and successful political career and that means that you know men and women. You know that both work better when their hearts bear no sense

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December 11, 1917.

Hon. Chas. E. Fuller, M.C.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to the following facts:

1. The proposed Federal suffrage amendment positively destroys the right of the people to vote on the question of woman suffrage, as provided for in their State Constitutions, and allows woman suffrage to be forced on unwilling States by the Legislatures of other States.

2. This proposal is a violation of the present Constitution of the United States, which provides that

> "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."

3. The people, through their State Constitutions, ratified by popular vote, have reserved the right to adopt or withhold woman suffrage by popular vote.

4. This proposal asks you to rob the people of this right; to repudiate your party platform which recognizes the right of each State to settle this question for itself by popular vote.

Every principle of patriotism, every ideal of self-government, and your oath to defend the Constitution, urges you to vote against the attempt to obtain woman suffrage in spite of the expressed will of the people.

NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OPPOSED TO WOMAN SUFFRAGE

WHEREAS, it is proposed by those advocating suffrage for women to introduce at this session of Congress a bill providing for an amendment to the Federal Constitution, giving women the ballot, and

WHEREAS, it is our best judgment that according to the Constitution and fundamental principles of our government, it is the sole province of each state to decide this question for itself, and

WHEREAS, in most of the states where this question has been submitted to the people, their verdict has been adverse to granting suffrage to women,

We, the undersigned, believing that the passage of such a bill would be antagonistic to the sovereign rights of the several states, hereby earnestly protest against such action and respectfully petition the members of both Houses of the Congress of the United States to reject any bill which has for its object th eforcing of woman suffrage upon unwilling states by means of a federal constitutional amendment.

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To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States.

In Congress Assembled:

The undersigned, Citizens of the United States, Residents of the State of Massachusetts, County of Essex City of Salem earnestly pray you Honorable Body to submit to the several States the following Amendment to the National Constitution, now pending in Congress (Senate Resolution No 55, House Resolution No. 175)

Article 15

Sec. 1. The right of Suffrage in the United States shall be based on citizenship, and the right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States, or by any state on account of sex, or for any reason not equally applicable to all citizens of the United States.

Sec. 2. Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

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