May ..., 1953

Dear ...:

The Republican Platform for 1952 pledged party action in behalf of the submission of a Constitutional amendment providing equal rights.

Such an amendment would leave the question to the states for final determination. I believe it quite appropriate that the people speaking through their elected legislators or specific conventions should be permitted to pass on this matter since it has been agitated for more than twenty years.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen