

## **End Discrimination against Women**

- Two million women in the United States are injured by current or former partners every year.
- The US ranks **56**<sup>th</sup> among 184 countries on maternal deaths during pregnancy and childbirth, below all other industrialized countries and many developing countries.
- U.S. white women earn 82 cents for every dollar a man makes. Women of color earn much less.
- An estimated **684,000** Minnesota women will be subjected to rape, physical violence, or stalking by an intimate partner in their lifetimes.
- Minnesota district courts handle more than 27,000 cases of domestic violence and more than 10,000 Orders for Protection are issued every year.

The United Nations Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW, pronounced SEE-daw), passed by the UN in 1979, is now part of many countries' constitutions and legal systems.

CEDAW has been ratified by 187 countries but not by Sudan, Somalia, Iran, Palau, Tonga – or the US.

To support ratification and to end discrimination and violence against women in the US and in Minnesota, go to <a href="http://worldwithoutgenocide.org/advocacy/cedaw">http://worldwithoutgenocide.org/advocacy/cedaw</a>

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