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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 28, 1979

TO: Rosalynn Carter  
FROM: Sarah Weddington



I apologize for not calling your office last week about the ERA action in the Florida Senate.

I was using Phil Wise, who has the best knowledge of anyone in the White House I know about Florida, and he was in contact with Governor Graham's office. Jack Watson was also involved. I was cooperating with ERAmerica.

It seemed that there were only three people we could call with even a faint hope of influence, and since it was the final vote, it seemed best to ask the President to make the calls. Perhaps others should also have been involved, but I asked for the action that seemed appropriate to me for such a high priority.

However, I obviously should have kept you and your office informed. I can only plead the pressure of other matters I was also trying to handle those days and promise to do better. I am sorry.

cc: ✓ President Carter  
Kathy Cade  
Phil Wise

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Phil already  
told of Pres  
R.W.*

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