# WHITE HOUSE SOCIAL FILES: BULK MAIL FILES, 1974-76

#### **Collection Type**

Federal Records

#### **Extent**

124.6 linear feet (ca. 249,200 pages)

#### **Record Type**

Textual

#### Access

Some folders are open to research, while others are open upon request. Researchers should consult with an archivist prior to their visit in order to request that specific folders be added to the Library's review-for-access queue. Even after the completion of this review some items may be temporarily restricted under terms of the donor's deed of gift, a copy of which is available on request, or under National Archives and Records Administration general restrictions (36 CFR 1256).

### Copyright

Gerald Ford donated to the United States of America his copyrights in all of his unpublished writings in National Archives collections. The copyrights to materials written by other individuals or organizations are presumed to remain with them. Works prepared by U.S. Government employees as part of their official duties are in the public domain.

### Processed by

#### **Scope and Content Note**

The White House Social Files contain materials that relate to the activities of First Lady Betty Ford and her staff. They were maintained in a designated filing scheme under the supervision of the Chief of Files and the White House Central Files staff. Included was over 500 cubic feet of mail addressed to Mrs. Ford, or both President and Mrs. Ford, from the general public that became the White House Social Files Bulk Mail File. White House staff sorted this mail into boxes by general category or topic, but it remained unorganized within each box. Mail was usually acknowledged with a form letter, card, or other item that was developed by White House staff. The Bulk Mail Responses series contains examples of items that were sent to the public in response to this mail.

The Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library determined that there were two categories of material: mail that could be sampled and mail that should be retained in its entirety.

#### Sampled Mail

Ford Library determined that for many of the categories of mail only a representative sample was needed to reflect the character of the materials due to the miscellaneous character of the mail and the lack of arrangement. The Library preserved an appropriate sample of mail, minimally one or two percent, from each of the major bulk mail subject areas. The sample items retained can be found in Bulk Mail Sample series and illustrate the type, quantity, quality, and sentiments of the whole.

The majority of the mail sampled by the Library consists of simple requests for presidential greetings for special occasions. The White House received approximately 180,000 requests for birthday, anniversary, graduation, bar mitzvah, wedding, birth, and holiday greetings.

Mrs. Ford received over 55,000 letters and cards from the general public in the space of a few weeks after it was revealed that she had breast cancer in

September 1974 and underwent a radical mastectomy. The First Lady used the occurrence of her illness and operation to promote awareness of breast cancer and encourage women to visit their doctors for an exam. Her approach prompted a substantial response from women across the country.

The Fords received approximately 56,000 Christmas and New Year's holiday cards while in the White House. Most were greeting cards, but they included are a small amount of correspondence, Christmas letters, and handmade cards. There is no indication that the greetings from the general public received an acknowledgement.

Other sampled topics include requests for information on how to make Christmas decorations similar to those at the White House, Mrs. Ford's ("First Mama") participation in Citizen's Band (CB) radio, and requests sent to Susan Ford or "Liberty," the Ford family dog, asking for a "paw-tograph."

#### **Mail Retained in Entirety**

Several topics were determined to be of particular importance and a manageable quantity and they were therefore retained in their entirety. The Ford Library retained all the mail received related to the Nixon pardon, Betty Ford's 60 Minutes television interview, the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA), letters relating to a prayer for Dr. Maurice Sage, and VIP Christmas and New Year's greetings to the Fords.

Betty Ford's interview with Morley Safer on the CBS television program 60 Minutes garnered a great deal of public reaction. During the interview she discussed premarital sex, divorce, drug use, and abortion. According to Marba Perrott, Director of Correspondence for the First Lady, the White House acknowledged over 10,000 letters of support (pro) and 23,000 letters of disapproval (con) in the weeks and months following the interview. The pro letters often praise Mrs. Ford on her openness, honesty and refreshing candor rather than a detailed opinion of the content of her interview. The con letters usually focus on the contents of the interview, frequently relying on religious arguments to explain their disapproval. There is also series of letters that were written directly to Susan Ford, letters that were written to Mrs. Ford in response to her acknowledgement, and acknowledgements that were returned to the White House because they were undeliverable.

Betty Ford strongly supported the passage of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA). She made speeches, wrote letters and called legislators urging their support in passing ERA in their state. The White House received approximately 15,000 letters, cards and telegrams regarding Mrs. Ford's stance on ERA, with nearly 10,000 in support. The pro letters primarily stated their full support for Betty Ford and her public stand on the issue. The con letters often commented on the possible evils of unisex restrooms, drafting of women for combat duty, cited passages from the Bible to bolster their position, and included informational flyers and newspaper clippings.

Also, on June 22, 1976 Betty Ford attended a Jewish National Fund (JNF) fundraising dinner in New York City for an American Bicentennial Park in Israel. At the dinner JNF President Dr. Maurice Sage suffered a heart attack, and Mrs. Ford stepped to the microphone and led the audience in a prayer for Dr. Sage. Mrs. Ford received approximately 500 letters and notes expressing approval of her thoughtful action and commenting on her grace and poise. These letters were acknowledged by a short form letter from Mrs. Ford.

#### **RELATED MATERIALS**

Additional correspondence written to Mrs. Ford can be found in the White House Social Files, a filing system maintained and shared by the East Wing staff. The White House Central Files is a comparable system used by the West Wing staff for the President, and its Subject File includes material related to social affairs (SO) and Betty Ford and the Ford family (PP 5). Public opinion mail written to President Ford can be found in the White House Central Files Bulk Mail File.

Material related to Mrs. Ford's activities as First Lady can be found in the individual files of staff members Russell Armentrout, Maria Downs, Elizabeth O'Neill, Susan Porter, Frances Pullen, and Sheila Weidenfeld. The Library also holds the personal papers of Maria Downs, Peter Sorum and Sheila Weidendfeld (currently unprocessed).

**Last Modified Date** 2024-04-30

Bulk Mail Sample, 1974-77.

#### (Boxes 1-26, 11.3 linear feet)

This series consists of a representative sample of mail from the general public to Betty Ford, or to both President and Mrs. Ford. A large portion of this material consists of requests for presidential greetings for birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, bar mitzvahs, weddings, births, and holiday greetings. Public opinion mail topics include Mrs. Ford's interview on the 60 Minutes television program, her breast cancer surgery in September 1974, her participation in citizens band (CB) radio, abortion, and other social issues. Also included are requests for "pawtographs" from "Liberty," the Ford family dog; and greetings sent to the Fords for holidays and anniversaries, get well messages, and thank-you letters. The Ford Library saved an appropriate sample of mail from each of the major bulk mail subject areas. A minimum one to two percent sample was preserved. The sample items retained illustrate the type, quantity, quality, and sentiments of the whole.

Arranged by mail category and thereunder unarranged.

#### **Box 1 - Bulk Mail Sample**

Status Title

CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings, 1974 (1)-(4)
CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings, 1975 (1)-(2)

**Box 2 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings, 1975 (3)-(6)
CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings, 1976 (1)-(4)

**Box 3 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings, 1976 (5)

CLOSED Three-dimensional snowman

**Box 4 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Betty Ford's Sixty Minutes Interview – Pro (1)-(6)

**Box 5 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Betty Ford's Sixty Minutes Interview – Pro (7)-(11)

**Box 6 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Betty Ford's Sixty Minutes Interview – Pro (12)-(15)

**Box 7 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Betty Ford's Sixty Minutes Interview – Con (1)-(6)

**Box 8 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Betty Ford's Sixty Minutes Interview – Con (7)-(12)

**Box 9 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Betty Ford's Sixty Minutes Interview – Con (13)-(18)

**Box 10 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Betty Ford's Sixty Minutes Interview – Con (19)-(23)

**Box 11 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Betty Ford's Sixty Minutes Interview - Con (24)-(28)

**Box 12 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Betty Ford's Sixty Minutes Interview - Con (29)-(33)

**Box 13 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

CLOSED Birthday Greeting Reguests (1)-(5)

CLOSED Wedding Anniversary (1)-(5)

**Box 14 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

CLOSED Wedding Invitations (1)-(3)

CLOSED Birth Announcements (1)-(3)

CLOSED Bar Mitzvahs (1)-(3)

CLOSED Graduations (1)-(2)

CLOSED Christmas Cards (1)-(3)

CLOSED Nursing Home (1)-(3)

**Box 15 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

CLOSED Graduations (3)-(4)

CLOSED Christmas Cards (1)-(3)

CLOSED Nursing Home (1)-(3)

OPEN Betty Ford's Breast Cancer Surgery (1)-(4)

**Box 16 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Betty Ford's Breast Cancer Surgery (5)-(11)

**Box 17 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

**Status** Title

OPEN Betty Ford's Breast Cancer Surgery (12)-(17)

**Box 18 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Betty Ford's Breast Cancer Surgery (18)-(23)

**Box 19 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Betty Ford's Breast Cancer Surgery (24)-(29)

**Box 20 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Get Well Messages (1)-(6)

**Box 21 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Get Well Messages (7)-(10)

**Box 22 - Bulk Mail Sample** 

Status Title

OPEN Get Well Messages (11)-(12)

CLOSED Betty Ford's Birthday

CLOSED Mother's Day

CLOSED Easter

CLOSED Thanksgiving

CLOSED Valentine's Day

#### **Box 23 - Bulk Mail Sample**

Status Title

CLOSED Fords' Wedding Anniversary

CLOSED Christmas Tree Decoration Requests (1)-(2)

OPEN Paw-tograph Requests (1)-(2)

CLOSED VIP Messages / Greetings

OPEN CB Correspondence (1)-(6)

#### **Box 24 - Bulk Mail Sample**

Status Title

OPEN CB Correspondence (7)-(12)

OPEN CB Memorabilia (1)-(2)

CLOSED Abortion

CLOSED Animal Cruelty

CLOSED Assassination Attempt of President Ford Sympathy Letters

CLOSED Bicentennial

CLOSED Busing
CLOSED Cancer

#### **Box 25 - Bulk Mail Sample**

Status Title

CLOSED Canning Lids

CLOSED Communism

CLOSED Economy

CLOSED Elder Care

CLOSED Environment/Energy

CLOSED Foreign Aid

CLOSED Refugees

CLOSED Requests (1)-(2)

CLOSED Social Security

CLOSED Supreme Court

CLOSED Swimming

CLOSED Thank You Letters (1)

### **Box 26 - Bulk Mail Sample**

Status	Title
JULUS	11616

CLOSED Thank You Letters (2)-(3)

CLOSED Travel

CLOSED Various Toppings (1)-(2)

CLOSED Various Topics (3) – Clippings

CLOSED W.I.N.

CLOSED Well Wishes - General

#### Bulk Mail Responses, 1974-77.

(Boxes 27, 0.3 linear feet)

This series consists of examples of cards and letters that were sent to the general public in response to their mail to President and Mrs. Ford. Topics include Betty Ford's 60 Minutes interview, breast cancer surgery, participation in citizens band (CB) radio, prayer for Dr. Maurice Sage, and the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA). Included are sample greetings for special occasions such as a milestone birthday, anniversary, birth, first communion, graduation, confirmation, illness, wedding, Eagle Scout award, and sympathy for a loss. The examples also include notes of appreciation, including after President Ford's loss in the 1976 presidential election. The signatures on the responses were auto-penned or pre-printed. In 1975, those seeking information on how to make Christmas decorations were sent a color brochure entitled, "A White House Christmas," that contained instructions on making ornaments. "Paw-tograph" requesters were sent a form letter from Susan Ford and a photograph of "Liberty" with a stamped paw print.

Arranged alphabetically by topic.

**Box 27 - Bulk Mail Responses** 

Status	Title
OPEN	60 Minutes Interview
OPEN	Anniversary
OPEN	Anniversary – Fords'
OPEN	Appreciation
OPEN	Baby
OPEN	Birthday
OPEN	Birthday – Betty Ford

Status Title

OPEN Cancer Surgery

OPEN CB Radio

OPEN Christmas Decorations – 1975

OPEN Confirmation

OPEN Eagle Scout

OPEN Equal Rights Amendment (ERA)

OPEN First Communion

OPEN Graduation

OPEN Illness

OPEN Paw-towgraphs

OPEN Post-election

OPEN Sage, Maurice (Dr.)

OPEN Sympathy
OPEN Wedding

#### VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings, 1974-76.

(Boxes 28-41, 6.2 linear feet)

This series contains Christmas and New Year's greeting cards sent to President and Mrs. Ford from Heads of State and foreign dignitaries; state and federal officials; members of Congress; the American diplomatic corps; celebrities; business, community, and political leaders; and personal friends of the Ford family.

Unarranged.

### **Box 28 - VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings**

Status Title

CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings – VIP (1)-(5)

Box 29 - VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings

Status Title

CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings – VIP (6)-(10)

**Box 30 - VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings** 

Status Title

CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings – VIP (11)-(15)

Title Status CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings - VIP (16)-(20) Box 32 - VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings Status Title CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings - VIP (21)-(24) **Box 33 - VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings** Title Status CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings - VIP (25)-(29) Box 34 - VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings Title Status CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings - VIP (30)-(34) **Box 35 - VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings** Title Status CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings - VIP (35)-(39) Box 36 - VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings Status Title CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings - VIP (40)-(43) **Box 37 - VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings** Status Title CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings - VIP (44)-(48) **Box 38 - VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings** Title Status Christmas / Holiday Greetings - VIP (49)-(53) CLOSED Box 39 - VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings Title Status CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings - VIP (54)-(58) **Box 40 - VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings** Status Title Christmas / Holiday Greetings - VIP (59)-(62) CLOSED Box 41 - VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings Title Status

Box 31 - VIP Christmas and New Year's Greetings

CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings – VIP (63)–(64)

CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings – Liberace, 1975

CLOSED Christmas / Holiday Greetings – Liberace, 1976

#### Nixon Pardon Mail, 1974.

(Boxes 42-43, 0.8 linear feet)

This series contains letters, cards, and telegrams written to Betty Ford regarding President Ford's pardon of former President Richard Nixon on September 8, 1974. It includes public opinion mail both in support and in opposition to his decision. Occasionally, related newspaper clippings are enclosed and opinions on other issues are expressed.

Unarranged.

**Box 42 - Nixon Pardon Mail** 

Status Title

CLOSED Nixon Pardon (1)–(12)

**Box 43 - Nixon Pardon Mail** 

Status Title

CLOSED Nixon Pardon (13)–(23)

"60 Minutes" Interview Pro Mail, 1975.

(Boxes 44-94, 22.3 linear feet)

This series contains letters, cards, and telegrams in support of Betty Ford's statements during her interview on the 60 Minutes television program on August 10, 1975. These letters were received in the weeks and months following the interview and often praised Mrs. Ford on her openness, honesty and refreshing candor rather than expressing a detailed opinion of the content of her interview and such topics as pre-marital sex and marijuana use. Occasionally, related newspaper clippings are enclosed with the correspondence. The White House responded to this public opinion mail using form letters developed by the First Lady's staff.

Unarranged.

Box 44 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
Status Title

```
"60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (1)-(6)
CLOSED
Box 45 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                    Title
CLOSED
                    "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (7)-(12)
Box 46 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                    Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (13)-(18)
Box 47 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                    Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (19)-(24)
CLOSED
Box 48 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                    Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (25)-(30)
CLOSED
Box 49 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                    Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (31)-(35)
Box 50 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                    Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (36)-(41)
CLOSED
Box 51 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                    Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (42)-(46)
CLOSED
Box 52 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                    Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (47)-(52)
CLOSED
Box 53 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                    Title
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (53)-(59)
Box 54 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                    Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (60)-(65)
CLOSED
Box 55 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
```

```
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (66)-(71)
Box 56 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                     Title
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (72)-(76)
CLOSED
Box 57 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                     Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (77)-(81)
CLOSED
Box 58 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                     Title
       Status
CLOSED
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (82)-(87)
Box 59 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                     Title
       Status
CLOSED
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (88)-(93)
Box 60 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                     Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (94)-(100)
CLOSED
Box 61 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
CLOSED
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (101)-(106)
Box 62 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (107)-(112)
CLOSED
Box 63 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                      Title
CLOSED
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (113)-(118)
Box 64 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (119)-(124)
CLOSED
Box 65 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                      Title
CLOSED
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (125)-(129)
```

Title

Status

```
Status
                                      Title
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (130)-(134)
CLOSED
Box 67 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                      Title
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (135)-(138)
CLOSED
Box 68 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (139)-(144)
CLOSED
Box 69 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
CLOSED
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (145)-(150)
Box 70 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (151)-(155)
CLOSED
Box 71 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                      Title
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (156)-(160)
CLOSED
Box 72 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
CLOSED
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (161)-(165)
Box 73 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (166)-(170)
CLOSED
Box 74 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (171)-(176)
CLOSED
Box 75 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
CLOSED
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (177)-(181)
Box 76 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                      Title
```

Box 66 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro

```
"60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (182)-(186)
CLOSED
Box 77 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                      Title
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (187)-(191)
Box 78 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (192)-(196)
Box 79 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                      Title
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (197)-(202)
CLOSED
Box 80 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (203)-(208)
CLOSED
Box 81 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
CLOSED
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (209)-(214)
Box 82 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (215)-(220)
CLOSED
Box 83 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (221)-(225)
CLOSED
Box 84 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (226)-(231)
CLOSED
Box 85 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
       Status
                                      Title
CLOSED
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (232)-(236)
Box 86 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
                                      Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Pro (237)-(244)
CLOSED
Box 87 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro
```

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Pro (245)–(253)

Box 88 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Pro (254)–(262)

Box 89 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Pro (263)–(270)

Box 90 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Pro (271)–(276)

Box 91 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Pro (277)–(283)

Box 92 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Pro (284)–(289)

Box 93 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Pro (290)–(296)

Box 94 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Pro

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Pro (297)–(297)

"60 Minutes" Interview Con Mail, 1975.

(Boxes 95-213, 52.1 linear feet)

This series contains letters, cards, and telegrams in opposition to Betty Ford's statements during her interview on the 60 Minutes television program on August 10, 1975. These letters were received in the weeks and months following the interview and usually focused on the contents of the interview, frequently relying on religious arguments to explain their disapproval of her view on such topics as pre-marital sex and marijuana use. Occasionally, related newspaper clippings are enclosed with the correspondence. The public opinion mail in this series was

acknowledged by the White House using form letters developed by the First Lady's staff.

Unarranged.

Box 95 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Con (1)–(5)

Box 96 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (6)-(11)

**Box 97 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con** 

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Con (12)–(19)

Box 98 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Con (20)–(27)

Box 99 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Con (28)–(36)

Box 100 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Con (37)–(43)

Box 101 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Con (44)–(50)

Box 102 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Con (51)–(56)

Box 103 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Con (57)–(62)

Box 104 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

```
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (63)-(68)
Box 105 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                     Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (69)-(76)
CLOSED
Box 106 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (77)-(82)
CLOSED
Box 107 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (83)-(90)
CLOSED
Box 108 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (91)-(97)
Box 109 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (98)-(105)
CLOSED
Box 110 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (106)-(113)
CLOSED
Box 111 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (114)-(119)
CLOSED
Box 112 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (120)-(128)
Box 113 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (129)-(136)
CLOSED
Box 114 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (137)-(145)
CLOSED
```

Title

Status

```
Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (146)-(151)
CLOSED
Box 116 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (152)-(159)
Box 117 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (160)-(168)
CLOSED
Box 118 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (169)-(174)
Box 119 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (175)-(179)
CLOSED
Box 120 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (180)-(185)
CLOSED
Box 121 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (186)-(191)
CLOSED
Box 122 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (192)-(197)
CLOSED
Box 123 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (198)-(203)
CLOSED
Box 124 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (204)-(209)
CLOSED
Box 125 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
```

Box 115 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

```
"60 Minutes" Interview - Con (210)-(215)
CLOSED
Box 126 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (216)-(221)
Box 127 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (222)-(227)
CLOSED
Box 128 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (228)-(233)
CLOSED
Box 129 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (234)-(239)
Box 130 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (240)-(244)
Box 131 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                     Title
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (245)-(252)
Box 132 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (253)-(261)
CLOSED
Box 133 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                     Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (262)-(269)
CLOSED
Box 134 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                     Title
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (270)-(276)
Box 135 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (277)-(283)
CLOSED
Box 136 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
```

```
"60 Minutes" Interview - Con (284)-(289)
CLOSED
Box 137 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (290)-(295)
CLOSED
Box 138 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (296)-(301)
CLOSED
Box 139 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (302)-(307)
CLOSED
Box 140 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (308)-(312)
Box 141 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (313)-(318)
CLOSED
Box 142 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (319)-(325)
CLOSED
Box 143 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (326)-(330)
CLOSED
Box 144 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (331)-(335)
Box 145 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (336)-(341)
CLOSED
Box 146 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (342)-(347)
CLOSED
```

Title

Status

```
Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (348)-(353)
CLOSED
Box 148 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (354)-(359)
Box 149 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (360)-(365)
CLOSED
Box 150 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (366)-(371)
Box 151 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (372)-(378)
CLOSED
Box 152 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (379)-(384)
CLOSED
Box 153 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (385)-(392)
CLOSED
Box 154 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (393)-(402)
CLOSED
Box 155 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (403)-(410)
CLOSED
Box 156 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (411)-(415)
CLOSED
Box 157 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
```

Box 147 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

```
"60 Minutes" Interview - Con (416)-(420)
CLOSED
Box 158 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (421)-(425)
Box 159 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (426)-(430)
CLOSED
Box 160 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (431)-(436)
CLOSED
Box 161 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (437)-(442)
CLOSED
Box 162 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (443)-(448)
Box 163 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                     Title
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (449)-(454)
Box 164 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (455)-(460)
CLOSED
Box 165 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (461)-(466)
CLOSED
Box 166 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                     Title
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (467)-(471)
Box 167 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (472)-(477)
CLOSED
Box 168 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
```

```
"60 Minutes" Interview - Con (478)-(484)
CLOSED
Box 169 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (485)-(490)
CLOSED
Box 170 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (491)-(495)
CLOSED
Box 171 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (496)-(500)
CLOSED
Box 172 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (501)-(504)
Box 173 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (505)-(510)
CLOSED
Box 174 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (511)-(515)
CLOSED
Box 175 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (516)-(520)
CLOSED
Box 176 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (521)-(525)
Box 177 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (526)-(529)
CLOSED
Box 178 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (530)-(535)
CLOSED
```

Title

Status

```
Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (536)-(541)
CLOSED
Box 180 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (542)-(546)
Box 181 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (547)-(551)
CLOSED
Box 182 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (552)-(556)
Box 183 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (557)-(563)
CLOSED
Box 184 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (564)-(569)
CLOSED
Box 185 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (570)-(574)
CLOSED
Box 186 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (575)-(579)
CLOSED
Box 187 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (580)-(584)
CLOSED
Box 188 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (585)-(590)
CLOSED
Box 189 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
```

Box 179 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

```
"60 Minutes" Interview - Con (591)-(596)
CLOSED
Box 190 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (597)-(602)
Box 191 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (603)-(607)
CLOSED
Box 192 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (608)-(612)
CLOSED
Box 193 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (613)-(618)
CLOSED
Box 194 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (619)-(624)
Box 195 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                     Title
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (625)-(629)
Box 196 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (630)-(635)
CLOSED
Box 197 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                     Title
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (636)-(640)
CLOSED
Box 198 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                     Title
CLOSED
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (641)-(645)
Box 199 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                     Title
       Status
                     "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (646)-(650)
CLOSED
Box 200 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
```

```
"60 Minutes" Interview - Con (651) - (655)
CLOSED
Box 201 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                       Title
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (656) - (661)
CLOSED
Box 202 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (662)-(666)
CLOSED
Box 203 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (667)-(670)
CLOSED
Box 204 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
CLOSED
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (671)-(676)
Box 205 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (677)-(683)
CLOSED
Box 206 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (684)-(691)
CLOSED
Box 207 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (692)-(699)
CLOSED
Box 208 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
                                      Title
       Status
CLOSED
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (700)-(706)
Box 209 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (707)-(714)
CLOSED
Box 210 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con
       Status
                                      Title
                      "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (715)-(721)
CLOSED
```

**Title** 

Status

#### Box 211 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (722) - (728)

Box 212 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (729) - (735)

Box 213 - "60 Minutes" Interview -Con

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview - Con (736) - (739)

"60 Minutes" Interview Letters Written to Susan Ford, 1975.

(Boxes 214, 0.4 linear feet)

This series contains letters and cards written by the general public to Susan Ford expressing their views and offering advice following her mother, Betty Ford's, interview on the 60 Minutes television program that aired on August 10, 1975, and Susan's own statements. Topics include pre-marital sex, pregnancies, abortion, and marijuana use. Some of the letters also include related clippings and informational handouts. Most of this public opinion mail was written in opposition of Susan and Mrs. Ford's views.

Arranged by type of response: Con and Pro, thereunder unarranged.

# Box 214 - "60 Minutes" Interview - Letters Written to Susan Ford Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Letters Written to Susan Ford -

Con (1)-(5)

"60 Minutes" Interview - Letters Written to Susan Ford -

CLOSED Pro

"60 Minutes" Interview Follow-up Letters, 1975.

(Boxes 215-216, 0.8 linear feet)

This series contains follow-up letters from the general public sent to Mrs. Ford after receiving her response to their public opinion mail regarding her 60 Minutes interview on August 10, 1975. Most of the correspondents appear to have been initially critical of Mrs. Ford's interview and her views on such topics as pre-marital

sex and marijuana use. The nature of the letters range from positive messages that express appreciation for the response and clarification of her position to negative comments regarding morality, religion and parenting. They provide additional comments on the topic of pre-marital sex and how this interview will affect their votes in the 1975 presidential election. Some follow-up letters are written directly on Mrs. Ford's acknowledgement letter.

Arranged by type of response: Comment, Con, and Pro; thereunder unarranged.

#### Box 215 - "60 Minutes" Interview - Follow Up Letters

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Follow Up Letters - Comment

(1)-(2)

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Follow Up Letters - Con (1)–(4)

### **Box 216 - "60 Minutes" Interview - Follow Up Letters**

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Follow Up Letters - Con (5)

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview – Follow Up Letters - Con (1)–(4)

# "60 Minutes" Interview Acknowledgement Letters Returned Undeliverable, 1975.

(Boxes 217-218, 0.8 linear feet)

This series contains acknowledgement letters sent from Mrs. Ford responding to correspondence regarding her August 10, 1975 interview on the 60 Minutes television program. These letters were returned to the White House because they were undeliverable. Reasons include an incomplete or incorrect address, inability for the post office to forward, and the addressee was unknown. The letters provide good examples of the responses that were developed in wake of Mrs. Ford's interview on the CBS television program.

Unarranged.

## Box 217 - "60 Minutes" Interview - Acknowledgement Letters Returned Undeliverable

Status Title

"60 Minutes" Interview Acknowledgement Letters

CLOSED Returned Undeliverable (1)-(5)

### Box 218 - "60 Minutes" Interview - Acknowledgement Letters Returned Undeliverable

Status Title

CLOSED "60 Minutes" Interview Acknowledgement Letters

Returned Undeliverable (6)-(10)

#### Equal Rights Amendment Pro Mail, 1975.

(Boxes 219-260, 18.3 linear feet)

This series contains letters, cards and telegrams written to Mrs. Ford in support for the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA). Mrs. Ford strongly supported ERA, and primarily these correspondents state their full support for Betty Ford and her public stand on the issue. Some of this public opinion mail includes related clippings.

Unarranged.

**Box 219 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** 

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (1)-(8)

**Box 220 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** 

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (9)-(15)

Box 221 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (16)-(22)

Box 222 -Equal Rights Amendment - Pro

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (23)-(29)

**Box 223 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** 

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (30)-(34)

**Box 224 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** 

Status Title

Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (35)-(40) CLOSED **Box 225 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro Status** Title **CLOSED** Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (41)-(45) Box 226 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro **Title** Status **CLOSED** Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (46)-(49) **Box 227 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** Title Status **CLOSED** Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (50)-(55) **Box 228 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** Title Status **CLOSED** Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (56)-(60) Box 229 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro Title Status CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (61)-(65) **Box 230 -Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** Status **Title** CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (66)-(70) Box 231 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro **Status Title** CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (71)-(74) Box 232 -Equal Rights Amendment - Pro Status **Title** CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (75)-(79) **Box 233 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** Status **Title** CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (80)-(83) **Box 234 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro Title** Status Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (84)-(88) CLOSED **Box 235 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** 

Status **Title CLOSED** Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (89)-(93) Box 236 -Equal Rights Amendment - Pro **Status Title** Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (94)-(98) CLOSED **Box 237 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** Title Status **CLOSED** Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (99)-(102) **Box 238 -Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** Title Status **CLOSED** Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (103)-(106) **Box 239 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro Status Title CLOSED** Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (107)-(110) **Box 240 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro Status Title CLOSED** Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (111)-(114) Box 241 -Equal Rights Amendment - Pro **Status** Title CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (115)-(118) **Box 242 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro Title** Status CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (119)-(123) Box 243 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro **Title** Status CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (124)-(128) Box 244 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro Status **Title** Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (129)-(133) CLOSED

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (129)-(133) **Box 245 -Equal Rights Amendment - Pro Status**Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (134)-(137)

Status **Title** CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (138)-(141) **Box 247 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** Status Title CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (142)-(145) **Box 248 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** Status Title CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (146)-(150) **Box 249 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** Title Status CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (151)-(155) **Box 250 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro Title** Status CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (156)-(160) **Box 251 -Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** Status **Title** CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (161)-(165) **Box 252 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** Status Title CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (166)-(170) **Box 253 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** Title Status CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (171)-(175) **Box 254 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro Title** Status CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (176)-(180) **Box 255 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** Status **Title** CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (181)-(185) **Box 256 -Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** Title Status

**Box 246 -Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** 

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (186)–(190)

**Box 257 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** 

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (191)–(195)

**Box 258 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** 

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (196)–(201)

**Box 259 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro** 

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (202)–(206)

Box 260 - Equal Rights Amendment - Pro

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Pro (207)–(209)

**Equal Rights Amendment Con Mail, 1975.** 

(Boxes 261-284, 10.5 linear feet)

This series contains letters, cards and telegrams written to Mrs. Ford in support for the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA). Mrs. Ford strongly supported ERA, and primarily these correspondents state their full support for Betty Ford and her public stand on the issue. Some of this public opinion mail includes related clippings.

Unarranged.

Box 261 -Equal Rights Amendment - Con

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (1)-(5)

**Box 262 - Equal Rights Amendment - Con** 

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (6)-(10)

Box 263 -Equal Rights Amendment - Con

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (11)-(16)

Box 264 -Equal Rights Amendment - Con

Status Title

Equal Rights Amendment - Con (17)-(22) CLOSED **Box 265 - Equal Rights Amendment - Con Status** Title CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (23)-(28) **Box 266 - Equal Rights Amendment - Con** Title Status **CLOSED** Equal Rights Amendment - Con (29)-(35) Box 267 -Equal Rights Amendment - Con **Title** Status CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (36)-(40) **Box 268 - Equal Rights Amendment - Con** Title Status **CLOSED** Equal Rights Amendment - Con (41)-(45) Box 269 - Equal Rights Amendment - Con Title Status CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (46)-(49) Box 270 -Equal Rights Amendment - Con Status Title CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (50)-(53) Box 271 - Equal Rights Amendment - Con **Status** Title CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (54)-(58) Box 272 -Equal Rights Amendment - Con Status Title CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (59)-(64) Box 273 -Equal Rights Amendment - Con Status Title CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (65)-(70) Box 274 -Equal Rights Amendment - Con Title Status Equal Rights Amendment - Con (71)-(75) CLOSED **Box 275 - Equal Rights Amendment - Con** 

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (76)-(80)

**Box 276 - Equal Rights Amendment - Con** 

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (81)-(85)

**Box 277 - Equal Rights Amendment - Con** 

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (86)-(90)

**Box 278 - Equal Rights Amendment - Con** 

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (91)-(95)

Box 279 -Equal Rights Amendment - Con

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (96)–(100)

Box 280 -Equal Rights Amendment - Con

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (101)-(105)

Box 281 -Equal Rights Amendment - Con

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (106)-(110)

**Box 282 - Equal Rights Amendment - Con** 

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (111)-(115)

Box 283 -Equal Rights Amendment - Con

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (116)-(121)

Box 284 -Equal Rights Amendment - Con

Status Title

CLOSED Equal Rights Amendment - Con (122)-(127)

Betty Ford's Prayer for Dr. Maurice Sage File, 1976.

(Boxes 285-286, 0.8 linear feet)

This series contains letters, cards and telegrams written to Mrs. Ford following a Jewish National Fund fundraising dinner in New York for the American Bicentennial Park in Israel on June 22, 1976. At the dinner, Mrs. Ford led the audience in a prayer after organization president Dr. Maurice Sage suffered a heart attack. This mail was received from people and organizations across the country commending Mrs. Ford on her actions.

Unarranged.

# Box 285 - Betty Ford's Prayer for Dr. Maurice Sage File Status Title

CLOSED Templates for reply to letters relating to Betty Ford's Prayer for Dr. Maurice Sage

Letters relating to Betty Ford's Prayer for Dr. Maurice Sage

CLOSED (1) - (8)

# Box 286 - Betty Ford's Prayer for Dr. Maurice Sage File Status Title

CLOSED Letters relating to Betty Ford's Prayer for Dr. Maurice Sage (9) – (14)