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Letter from a Canadian Supporter to Geraldine Ferraro

Geraldine Ferraro

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Dear Mrs. Ferraro;

When Walter Mondale announced that you would be the Democratic nominee for Vice-President, I was very pleased. The move is exciting because it is opening new doors for women in the United States and in Canada as well as the other Democratic nations.

For instance during the last Canadian general election there were 77 women running for office. Of those 77 about 59 made it to the House of Commons. The highest number in the history of Canadian Parliament. The advances are taking some time but I believe your nomination will put the recruitment of women candidates in full drive.

I for one would feel much better with a candidate of your calibre in the position of Vice-President of the United States. I believe that your ability and qualifications are just what the Vice-Presidency needs. You are a candidate that will breath life into the position.

I knew you had the ability for the job and it was reinforced in my mind with your handling of the Tax affair, your strong showing in the television debates, and finally the way you have handled yourself through the campaign.

I am eighteen years old and some day I would like to get into politics because I want to change so many things here in Canada. I hope I will have the stamina and the ability to proceed with that career. I am already involved with the
youth wing of the party I belong to. I hope this will give me some political experience.

I know that when the last ballots are counted on November 6th the MONDALE-FERRARO team will be occupying the White House for a number of years.

I would like to wish you good luck in the remaining weeks of the campaign, and don't let up until you have achieved your task of throwing out President Reagan.

Let me close by saying;

"Courage- not complacency- is our need today. Leadership- Not salesmanship. And the only valid test of leadership is the ability to lead. Our ends will not be won by rhetoric. We can have faith in the only if we have faith in ourselves."

JOHN F. KENNEDY

This quote from the late President Kennedy sums up what Reagan is, a salesman not a leader, full of rhetoric, with no concrete ideas and solutions.

Therefore I hope that the Democratic Party under yourself and Walter Mondale will turn America back onto the right course.

I have enjoyed writing this letter I hope you have a chance to read it.

I must add one more thing, that sure you are a women but I don't look at you as a women, I look at you as the able Democratic Vice Presidential Candidate ready to take over thereins of power.

Again Good luck, and Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Lashburn, Sask., Canada