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"Women will not simply be mainstreamed into the polluted stream. Women are changing the stream, making it clean and green and safe for all -- every gender, race, creed, sexual orientation, age, and ability."
-- Bella Abzug

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"If particular care and attention is not paid to the ladies, we are determined to foment a rebellion, and will not hold ourselves bound by any laws in which we have no voice or representation."
-- Abigail Adams

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"The connection between women's human rights, gender equality, socioeconomic development and peace is increasingly apparent."
-- Mahnaz Afkhami

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"How important it is for us to recognize and celebrate our heroes and she-roes!"
-- Maya Angelou

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"The day will come when men will recognize woman as his peer, not only at the fireside, but in councils of the nation. Then, and not until then, will there be the perfect comradeship, the ideal union between the sexes that shall result in the highest development of the race."
-- Susan B. Anthony

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"This is your life!!!
The children/husbands/lovers are just one chapter.
The stronger we (women) get the more loving we can be- to all."
-- Cynthia Basinet

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"Feminism is a transformational force, an individual and social force. It is a way of looking at the world–a questioning of power/domination issues, an affirmation of women's energy."
-- Charlotte Bunch

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"Everybody counts in applying democracy. And there will never be a true democracy until every responsible and law-abiding adult in it, without regard to race, sex, color or creed has his or her own inalienable and unpurchasable voice in government."
-- Carrie Chapman Catt

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"The emotional, sexual, and psychological stereotyping of females begins when the doctor says, 'It's a girl.'"
-- Shirley Chisholm

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"My idea of feminism is self-determination, and it's very open-ended: every woman has the right to become herself, and do whatever she needs to do."
-- Ani DiFranco

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"The young women of today, free to study, to speak, to write, to choose their occupation, should remember that every inch of this freedom was bought for them at a great price. It is for them to show their gratitude by helping onward the reforms of their own times, by spreading the light of freedom and of truth still wider."
-- Abigail Duniway

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"Adult women, all of us, have to come to grips with how we have been affected by gender norms, and how we have been silenced. We have to help our daughters. Understanding it within ourselves and helping our young girls stand up for themselves is one way."
-- Jane Fonda

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"The only way for a woman, as for a man, to find herself, to know herself as a person, is by creative work of her own. There is no other way."
-- Betty Friedan

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"Women's rights are an essential part of the overall human rights agenda, trained on the equal dignity and ability to live in freedom all people should enjoy."
-- Ruth Bader Ginsburg

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"It is truly a privilege to be able to support all women's causes on a global level."
-- Teri Hatcher

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"I've always been a big believer in equality. No one has ever been able to tell me I couldn't do something because I was a girl."
-- Anne Hathaway

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"Across the world women are joining hands in solidarity and support, in a global women's movement, sharing knowledge and experience and empowering themselves to build a peaceful and fairer world."
-- Marilee Karl

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"The message of our campaign is "Make every mother and child count". This campaign is not just about health. It is also a powerful call for radical progress in women's rights and the rights of their children."
-- Liya Kebede

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"Violence against women is an appalling human rights violation. But it is not inevitable. We can put a stop to this."
-- Nicole Kidman

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"Prior to my election, young Cherokee girls would never have thought that they might grow up and become chief."
-- Wilma Mankiller

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"Because of their agelong training in human relations - for that is what feminine intuition really is - women have a special contribution to make to any group enterprise."
-- Margaret Mead

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"In less than a century we experienced great movement. The youth movement! The labor movement! The civil rights movement! The peace movement! The solidarity movement! The women's movement! The disability movement! The disarmament movement! The gay rights movement! The environmental movement! Movement! Transformation! Is there any reason to believe we are done?"
-- Holly Near

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"I never doubted that equal rights was the right direction. Most reforms, most problems are complicated. But to me there is nothing complicated about ordinary equality."
-- Alice Paul

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"The only way to solve the problem of women's subordination is to change people's mindset and to plant the new idea of gender equality into every mind."
-- Qingrong Ma

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"...a political struggle that does not have women at the heart of it, above it, below it, and within it is no struggle at all."
-- Arundhati Roy

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"Ordinary people like you and me have the chance to make a tremendous difference for mothers and their children worldwide."
-- Meg Ryan

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"It will be great when it's not such a big deal when a woman gets a good job."
-- Susan Sarandon

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"We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men and women are created equal."
-- Elizabeth Cady Stanton

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"This is no simple reform. It really is a revolution. Sex and race because they are easy and visible differences have been the primary ways of organizing human beings into superior and inferior groups and into the cheap labor in which this system still depends. We are talking about a society in which there will be no roles other than those chosen or those earned."
-- Gloria Steinem

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"I am also very proud to be a liberal. Why is that so terrible these days? The liberals were liberators—they fought slavery, fought for women to have the right to vote, fought against Hitler, Stalin, fought to end segregation, fought to end apartheid. Liberals put an end to child labor and they gave us the five day work week! What's to be ashamed of?" --Barbra Streisand

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