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April 19, 2018 (date)

William J. Gicker, Manager of Stamp Development, Stamp Services

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Dear Mr. Gicker:

I understand that the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee is considering the issuance of a commemorative stamp honoring the ratification of the 19th Amendment which gave women the right to vote. Since women account for over half of the citizens of the United States, this stamp will appeal to a large demographic group.

As a member of League of Women Voters of Illinois, I am asking you to recommend that this stamp be approved for general circulation. Since the 19th Amendment was ratified on August 18, 1920 and was officially proclaimed the law of the land on August 26 of that same year, we encourage the release date of the stamp to occur in 2020. Then it coincides with the 100th anniversary of this significant, historic event.

As you know, the League of Women Voters (LWV) was created by the suffragists who were members of the National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA) on February 14, 1920 at their convention in Chicago. These suffragists had fought for nearly a century to gain the right to vote for women. Their goal was achieved when the 19th Amendment was ratified in 1920, months after the League of Women Voters was founded; thus 2020 is a shared centennial for the 19th Amendment and for the League.

Please urge the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee to select the commemorative stamp honoring the Centennial of 19th Amendment's Ratification for release to the public in 2020. This monumental event in our country's history merits this superb recognition.

Sincerely,

Your name, Member of the LWVIL, (insert your name and League)