

## HUMAN RIGHTS - 1949

---

Jewish ethical tradition strongly affirms the equality of all men before God, and human rights and fundamental freedoms are basic to social justice and the maintenance of peace, and vigilance is necessary to secure these rights both within each nation and in international society,

*Therefore, be it resolved,* that the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in annual session assembled in St. Louis, Missouri., on December 1, 1949, urges upon the United Nations the early adoption of appropriate measures for implementation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, approved by the Third Assembly of the United Nations in Paris in December, 1948, and

*Be it resolved,* that the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods calls upon its members not only to scrutinize with ever-increasing care both legal provisions and current practices of social justice within their respective communities and countries but also to act in behalf of social justice in a manner consistent with the tradition of their Jewish heritage.

*Further, be it resolved,* that the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods on behalf of its United States members, calls upon the Congress of the United States to uphold the deeply cherished ideals of democracy and prevent infringement on human rights by an act of legislation which will (1) assure to all citizens the exercise of the franchise without payment of poll-tax, (2) which will outlaw the crime of lynching and (3) which will secure men and women against discrimination of employment for reasons of race, creed or color.