



Dear friend,

The title of "First Lady" comes to me solely by way of Brad's election to the Office of Governor of the State of Idaho. It is a volunteer position, yet I fully recognize the opportunity within it: the opportunity for my voice to amplify, enhance, and encourage good things throughout our state. I am happy to do so with your help.

Many of you have been kind and generous to ask for ways you may assist me as Idaho's First Lady. I will write to you occasionally to let you know of things I am privileged to learn about. These will be things in which you, too, might choose to invest some of your time, your talent and/or your treasure.

The subject of my first letter is the **Idaho Women 100** campaign. This is a joint effort of the Idaho State Historical Society and Idaho Women in Leadership to **mark the national centennial anniversary of the women's right to vote, happening in 2020.**

The 2020 events will **celebrate Idaho's early role in women's suffrage** and **encourage an increase in women's civic engagement.** There are projects of lasting impact in the works as well as opportunities to volunteer, donate, and to create local events to mark the occasion.

Please visit IdahoWomen100.com to learn more and become involved. You may also call 208-830-4303.

We are proud that Idaho women earned the right to vote on November 3, 1896. We were the fourth State in the Union to pass the amendment to our State Constitution. In fact, my Great Grandfather, Daniel Gamble, was in the Idaho Legislature at the time the vote was taken to put the measure on the ballot.

Earlier today I made remarks at the Idaho Women 100 kick-off event at the Idaho Capitol. You can read my remarks [here](#).

I will be pleased and happy if you will forward this letter far and wide. The larger the circle, the more potential impact for good.

Warm regards,

Teresa

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*"Be the change you wish to see in the world."
-Mahatma Gandhi*

P.S. Just this past Monday, March 25, 2019, I was watching The Today Show. An 11-year-old girl from Washington, D.C., Alice Tapper, was telling the story of how her book, [Raise Your Hand](#), came to be published.

As a 10-year-old, Alice noticed that boys in class raise their hands frequently and girls are very shy about doing so. She took it to her Girl Scout troop to talk over. That discussion resulted in the creation of a new Girl Scout patch called "Raise Your Hand," which led to a New York Times editorial on October 31, 2017.

Following the editorial, Alice received a letter from Oprah with a gift of \$25,000 for the Girl Scouts. She then appeared on the Ellen show, where Ellen gifted \$25,001 to the Girl Scouts. The proceeds from her children's book, *Raise Your Hand*, just out on Tuesday, March 26, 2019, will also go to the Girl Scouts.

Alice's message that girls should have confidence, step up, and become leaders by raising their hands is having a huge impact on girls young....and older than young.

Interestingly, Alice's parents chose to name their daughter, Alice Paul Tapper, after Alice Paul an early and very vocal leader of the women's suffrage movement.

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