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July 1976

Contact: Douglas Lee

Director of Communications

National Federation of Republican Women, Mrs. Patricia Hutar, President

## News Release

Biographical Data

Mrs. Laddie F. (Patricia) Hutar

Patricia Hutar of Glenview, Illinois became the 12th President of the National Federation of Republican Women in January, 1976, and as President presides over the national organization of approximately 230,000 women.

Since taking office, Mrs. Hutar has worked actively to increase the involvement of Republican women in both local and national politics and to encourage them to run for public and Party offices. She has been especially active in the development within the Federation of a new young women's program. New Founders '76 is designed to encourage young women to become leaders in the Federation and in the Party.

Pat has been active in the Republican Party for many years...having served as Illinois State and National Public Relations Chairman, as NFRW Fourth Vice-President, Second Vice-President and for four years as First Vice-President of the Federation. Her service in the Republican Party began as precinct captain in 1955, and she has worked in various county, state and Young Republicans organizations, and served as Co-Chairman of the Young Republican National Federation in 1961-1963.

Pat Hutar served as a member of the Presidential Task Force on Womens Rights and Responsibilities and has twice participated in U.S. Study Tours of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. In 1974, she was named U.S. Representative for the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women and in 1975 headed the U.S. Delegation to the International Women's Year Conference in Mexico City. Mrs. Hutar is a member of the National Commission on the Observance of International Women's Year, a member of the Board of Directors for the Public Affairs Council and a member of the Board of Governors International House, University of Chicago.

Former Assistant Chairman of the Republican National Committee (1964-1965), Pat has been a leader in several Presidential campaigns as Illinois Co-Chairman (1960 & 1964); as Regional Director for the Women's Division in the 1968 Presidential campaign, and served in 1972 as National Director of Volunteers for the Committee for the Re-Election of the President.

She has a diverse professional background as a public affairs consultant and is author of, The Investment Club Way to Stock Market Success, an investment club book. She is active in many business and civic organizations.

Married to Laddie F. Hutar, they have a daughter, Elizabeth and a son, John.

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President  
PENNY CUMMINGS  
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MEMO TO: All members

FROM: Penny Cummings

DATE: August 3, 1976

RE: National officers

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of Metropolitan Washington

Immediate Past President  
PAT HAMILTON

It's that time of year again. We need nominations for PRESIDENT-ELECT and DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE of AWRT at the national level.

These are the duties and requirements of the positions:

The PRESIDENT-ELECT must supervise the functioning of all committees and act as a consultant to them; she presides in the absence of the President; presides at the meeting of the Advisory Council and assists the President as requested. To be eligible, she must have served as an elected officer of a chapter and of the national Board for at least one year.

The DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE attends four Board meetings each year; makes recommendations for committee chairwomen; is Board liaison for standing and special committees on assignment from the President, including regular contact of chairwomen, requesting reports, and reporting to the Board for chairwomen when they are not present. She must have served as a member of a chapter Board or as a National Committee chairwoman in order to be eligible.

Please send me any names by August 31. Of course, if you believe you are the best person for either position -- please let me know!

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# Republican Women's Task Force

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## BACKGROUND ON THE REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S TASK FORCE

### I. What is the Republican Women's Task Force?

It is an organized group of women activists whose goal is to attract more women to the political process through the Republican Party. It was formed in April of 1975 as an affiliate of the National Women's Political Caucus. Membership in the Caucus does not constitute membership in the Task Force nor does membership in the Task Force constitute membership in the Caucus. The Task Force membership is now numbered at over 1,000 women across the nation.

### II. What are the purposes of the RWTF?

It is the intent of the Task Force to encourage and assist more women to seek political and party office at the federal, state and local levels and to assume their rightful position in the Republican Party. In its first year, the Task Force has organized state task forces, assembled a network of women around the nation, distributed monthly newsletters containing information on delegate selection procedures, women candidates and issues of importance to women. The Task Force has also been engaged in canvassing all the female delegates and alternate delegates to the National Convention.

### III. What constitutes membership in the RWTF?

Membership in the Task Force is open to all persons, without discrimination, who are interested in the purposes of the Task Force. A membership fee of \$10.00 entitles a member to receive the Task Force newsletter, to have a vote, and to hold office.

### IV. How is the RWTF funded?

The Task Force is funded entirely by membership fees and individual contributions.

### V. How does the RWTF differ from the National Women's Political Caucus?

The Caucus is a multi-partisan organization dedicated to furthering the political influence of the nation's women as a whole while the Task Force efforts are directed more exclusively to the interests of Republican women.

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CBS - Marty Clingman  
Britina Gregory [Jim Kinade]



Please get Sheila's day sorted!



GOP Women's Task Force, Tuesday Afternoon (Pullen)

Congratulations on the fabulous job you did last week. We just had to have the Equal Rights Amendment in the platform. The leadership of women in that fight certainly helped show how determined we are about our equal rights.

I hope your efforts to elect Republican women this fall and to get more women involved in politics are equally effective as the ERA platform fight. Good luck to each of you on all our fights for an equal voice.

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Women for  
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# I'm for President Ford

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The President Ford Committee, Rogers C. B.  
Morton, Chairman, Robert C. Moot, Treasurer.

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Elly M. Peterson,  
Michigan

As the summer and the campaign become more heated, we want to build fires under every supporter of the President's to insure that the energy and effort are there to carry him through the convention in Kansas City and the general election to inauguration in Washington in January.

A special group of supporters which has the reputation of being most eager to help is the nation's women. Our Democratic opposition is vocal in stating that they have the support of the women of America behind their candidate. We believe that the best answer to that claim is the positive proof that the President has your support and that of the women you know.

On Sunday, June 13, the President and Mrs. Ford met with a delegation of women from across the country who announced formation of WOMEN FOR PRESIDENT FORD. We hope, with your help, to attract thousands of women to the standard raised that day.

Our urgent goal is to secure AT ONCE the names<sup>addresses</sup> of thousands of women---ages 18 to 108---who are committed to the President. We are enclosing a list that we ask you to complete with the names---AND ADDRESSES---of female members of your family and of your friends.

We hope you will secure at least 50 to 100 names---with your's leading the list---from your greeting card lists, the organizations to which you belong, and the women to whom you speak every day. Ask them to help and send their own lists.

Let's get behind this man who has done so much to restore the faith in the Office of the Presidency by doing all WE can!





# Women for President Ford

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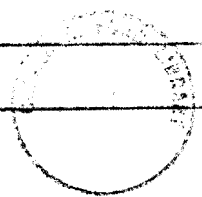
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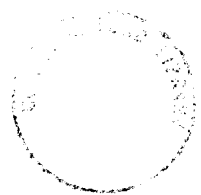
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August 4, 1976

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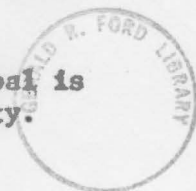
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Special RWTF activities on the attached schedule include Rules and Platform testimony, the first national meeting of the RWTF on August 15th to plan convention strategy, and a fundraiser "Salute to Republican Women" on August 17th.

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## RWTF CONVENTION ACTIVITIES

- August 8, 1976      RWTF establishes headquarters at the Holiday Inn Towers  
in Kansas City, Kansas (913) 342-6919
- August 9, 1976      10:00 a.m. - Patricia Bailey and Betsy Griffith testify  
for the RWTF before the Rules Committee. (Grand Ballroom  
in the Continental Hotel)
- 1:30 - 5:00 p.m. - Audrey Colom and Patricia Goldman testify  
for the RWTF before the Platform Committee. (Crystal Room in  
the Hotel Phillips)
- August 15, 1976      7:00 - 9:00 p.m. - First National Meeting of the RWTF at  
the YWCA, 10th and Charlotte Street, Kansas City  
Discussion of local task forces, issues of concern to  
women, overall Convention program of the RWTF and future  
activities of the Task Force.
- August 17, 1976      4:00 - 6:30 p.m. - RWTF Fundraiser, "Salute to Republican  
Women", Radisson Muehlebach Hotel, Colonial Ballroom  
\$15.00 (Delegates - \$10.00)



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TUESDAY, AUGUST 17 (continued)

5:00 - 6:30 pm                      PERSONAL TIME

6:30 pm                      Family Dinner (out of hotel)

\_\_\_\_\_ Depart \_\_\_\_\_

Proceed to KC Airport to welcome Mike & Gayle      9:00 pm  
arriving TWA #245 - go to gate  
Steve???

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18

11:45 am Depart Crown Center

12 noon Arrive Kansas City Club - Luncheon w/ editors of  
NEWSWEEK.  
Contact: Sheila & Patti

Susan to proceed to Kansas University, Lawrence Kansas

6:30 pm Family Dinner

Depart Crown Center

8:30 pm Arrive Kemper Arena for Convention Session 4  
NOMINATION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19

11:00 am      Observe Vice Presidential Announcement w/First Family  
                 At Crown Plaza

Portrait Session - First Family w/ VP Nominee

Depart Crown Center

1:00 pm      Arrive Youth Center Luncheon - Trade Mart  
                 Exhibition Hall 2 - Enter Exhibition Hall 3

PERSONAL TIME

6:30 pm      Family Dinner

8:00 pm      Kemper Arena - Convention Session 5  
                 Nomination of Candidates for VP  
                 Presidential and VP Nominees Acceptances speeches.

11:00 pm      Youth Victory Party - Crown Center                      (PRESS)  
                 Centennial Rooms A & B  
                 PFC, Michigan delegates, celebrities, live band

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20

Depart KC for Grand Junction, Colo.