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Kathleen Parker claimed Joe Biden's "history-making" selection of Kamala D. Harris as vice president might prove to be his downfall in 2024. Ms. Parker fed into the racist and sexist narrative of those who would strip women of hard-earned positions of power. What's next? Calling on women elected to Congress to give up their seats?

Vice President Harris should not step aside when she is stepping up for women. To cite just one example, her remarks during her visit to a Minnesota women's health clinic gave a forceful outline of the administration's agenda. We need Ms. Harris's voice and the power of her presence.

There are also still persistent disparities in women's pay and government representation. In the 118th Congress, only about 150 of 540 members were women. In 2022, according to the Pew Research Center, White women earned 83 cents for every dollar earned by men, while Black women earned 70 percent as much as their White male counterparts and Hispanic women earned just 65 percent as much.

Just like when Geraldine Ferraro ran for vice president and I realized as a young girl my potential was limitless, Ms. Harris's election as vice president was groundbreaking and inspired many young women. Vote for the Biden-Harris ticket this November to protect women's rights — and women's political leadership.

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