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To: Mary King
Maria Varella
Penny Patch
Elayne deLott Baker
Emily Schrader Adams
Theresa del Pozzo

From: Casey Cason

Hi.

I am enclosing copies of some correspondence I recently received from Sara Evans, with whom I have been in contact regarding her doctoral thesis, which is called Personal Politics, The Roots of the Women's Movement in the New Left, an interesting historical study for which I feel a great deal of empathy.

One of the events she has traced is an unsigned paper which was circulated at the Waveland meeting about WOMEN. And the Marketing and the paper and my recollection was that I'd written it and some of you folks had also somehow been involved and that noone wanted to sign it because of the racial tensions prevalent at the time. It also seemed to me several people guessed Ruby Doris Robinson had written it and that she neither affirmed or denied it. It has sometimes been attributed to her since then. Penny Patch confirmed that she remembered there was such a paper and that I had written it but neither of us could really recall the content.

Sara has just sent me a copy of this mysterious piece of writing, which I enclose. While I recognize some phrases, the piece as a whole seems unfamiliar enough to me that I hesitate to claim and authorship. Maybe my memory has simply failed me about the content, but it is possible my whole recollection of the situation is inaccurate. None of us seem to have a very clear picture of those days. In the interest of historical accuracy I am asking you to send any comments you might have to me, with a copy to Sara if possible. Piecing it together like a quilt, since it is our own history (herstory?). Thanks very, very much for your time and help.

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