Unit: Liberty and Equality Reading: Votes for Women

Activity: Voting Rights, Women, and the 19th Amendment

Handout C: Suffrage Amendments

Directions: Read the following amendments to the Constitution and paraphrase each. Amendment XV (1870) Section 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude. Amendment XIX (1920) Section 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex. Amendment XXIV (1964) Section 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote in any primary or other election for President or Vice President, for electors for President or Vice President, or for Senator or Representative in Congress, shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or any state by reason of failure to pay any poll tax or other tax.