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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing March as "Women's History Month" in Florida.

WHEREAS, Florida's women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of Florida in countless recorded and unrecorded ways, and

WHEREAS, Florida's women have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of the life of the state by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside of the home, and

WHEREAS, Florida's women have played a unique role throughout the history of the nation by providing countless hours of volunteer labor for the state, and

WHEREAS, Florida's women were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in our state, and

WHEREAS, Florida's women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement, and

WHEREAS, forty women, twenty-five percent of both the Florida House of Representatives and the Florida Senate, presently serve the citizens of the great state of Florida as elected members of the Florida Legislature, with thirty women in the Florida House of Representatives and ten women in the Florida Senate; four women serve in the Congress of the United States; and two women serve in the Florida executive branch, and

WHEREAS, women have been leaders not only in securing their

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30 | own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the
31 | abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial
32 | labor movement, the civil rights movement, and countless other
33 | movements which create a more fair and just society for all, and

34 | WHEREAS, despite these contributions, the role of Florida's
35 | and all of America's women in history has been consistently
36 | overlooked and undervalued, NOW, THEREFORE,

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38 | Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
39 | Florida:

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41 | That March be designated as "Women's History Month" to duly
42 | recognize and appreciate the outstanding contribution women have
43 | made toward the betterment of life for all. Be it further
44 | proclaimed that every Floridian is encouraged to celebrate
45 | Women's History Month with appropriate programs, activities, and
46 | ceremonies honoring the women of the great state of Florida and
47 | the United States of America.