



26 themselves reflected in the state's history and gain  
 27 encouragement in the development and fulfillment of their own  
 28 aspirations, NOW, THEREFORE,

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 30 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 32 Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Florida Women's  
 33 Historical Marker Initiative."

34 Section 2. (1) The Florida Women's Historical Marker  
 35 Initiative is established within the Division of Historical  
 36 Resources of the Department of State. The purpose of the  
 37 initiative is to recognize the contributions of 100 women,  
 38 living or deceased, to the history of this state with the  
 39 placement of historical markers by the Florida Historical Marker  
 40 Program.

41 (2) (a) The Women's Historical Marker Selection Committee  
 42 is established to select those women who will be recognized by  
 43 the initiative. The membership of the committee must consist of:

44 1. Three members appointed by the Governor, two of whom  
 45 must be noted Florida historians.

46 2. One member appointed by the President of the Senate.

47 3. One member appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
 48 Representatives.

49 4. One member appointed by the Secretary of State.

50 5. A member of the Florida Commission on the Status of

51 Women.

52 6. A representative of the Division of Historical  
 53 Resources.

54 7. A member of the State Historical Marker Council.

55 8. Two members of the general public.

56 (b) In selecting women to be recognized by the initiative,  
 57 the committee shall conduct its own research and solicit input  
 58 from the general public.

59 (3)(a) A woman selected by the Women's Historical Marker  
 60 Selection Committee to be recognized must have been born in,  
 61 resided in, or been employed in this state and must have  
 62 significantly contributed to the state of Florida, her county,  
 63 or her specific community.

64 (b) A woman recognized for a specific contribution or  
 65 achievement may be living, but such contribution or achievement  
 66 must have occurred more than 30 years before such recognition. A  
 67 woman may be recognized for a lifetime achievement, but such  
 68 woman must have been deceased for at least 30 years before such  
 69 recognition.

70 (c) At least one woman from each of the state's 67  
 71 counties must be recognized, and the remaining 33 women  
 72 recognized shall be selected by the Women's Historical Marker  
 73 Selection Committee.

74 (4) The Florida Historical Marker Program shall place 100  
 75 historical markers, recognizing one woman for each marker,

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76 | throughout the state within the next 10 years, with 10 markers  
77 | placed each year. The first 10 markers must be placed by  
78 | December 31, 2025. The final marker must be placed by December  
79 | 31, 2035.

80 | Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.