

1 State of Arkansas
2 80th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 1995
4 By: Senator Jeffries
5 By: Representatives Wilkins, Pollan, Brown, Northcutt, Jones, Schexnayder,
6 Roberts, Smith, Owens, Bennett, Horn, Bush, Lynn, Ammons, Ferrell, and
7 Madison

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10 **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

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24 WHEREAS, The National Foundation for Women Legislators, Inc. which
25 serves as the educational arm of the National Order of Women Legislators, the
26 oldest professional association for women legislators in the country, is
27 coordinating state, regional and national celebrations to commemorate the
28 100th Year of Women serving in a State Legislature; and

29 WHEREAS, women state legislators were elected to serve before American
30 women had the universal right to vote; and

31 WHEREAS, in January 1895 the first three women were sworn-in to serve
32 as state legislators; and

33 WHEREAS, the members of the General Assembly recognize the 100th Year
34 of Women in State Legislature; and

35 WHEREAS, the General Assembly proudly recognizes the women currently

1 and formerly serving from across the state for their outstanding
2 contributions and accomplishments as America_s true "Timeless Pioneers"; and

3 WHEREAS, the celebration of this centennial will elevate public
4 knowledge and awareness of women in state history; and

5 WHEREAS, these women have served diligently, enthusiastically, and have
6 devoted most of their lives to their communities and to our great State; and

7 WHEREAS, their knowledge, expertise, and wise leadership are valuable
8 tools to carry Arkansas into the twenty-first century; and

9 WHEREAS, the members of the General Assembly, by this resolution, would
10 like to congratulate the following women who have served or are presently
11 serving in the Arkansas General Assembly: Francis Hunt, Erle Chambers,
12 Elizabeth Thompson, Mrs. S. J. Hunt, Mary B. Wigstrand, Florence McRaven,
13 Maude Brown, Ethel Cunningham, Ella Hurst, Mrs. Leslie Buchanan, Allene Word,
14 Lera Rowlette, Willie Oates, Mattie G. Hackett, Mrs. Dove Toland Mulkey,
15 Doris McCastlain, Bernice Kizer, Gladys W. Martin, Dorathy M. Allen, Gladys
16 Oglesby, Vada Sheid, Shirley Meacham, Carolyn Pollan, Gloria Cabe, Judy
17 Petty, Irma Hunter Brown, Peggy Long Hartness, Nancy Crain Balton, Charlie
18 Cole Chaffin, Wanda Northcutt, Myra Jones, Charlotte Schexnayder, Gladys
19 Watson, Christine Brownlee, Jacqueline Roberts, Joesetta Wilkins, Judy S.
20 Smith, Marian Owens, Dee Bennett, Barbara Horn, Ann Bush, Becky Lynn, Evelyn
21 Ammons, Peggy Jeffries, Lisa Ferrell, and Sue Madison.

22 WHEREAS, the general assembly, by this resolution, extends their
23 sincerest appreciation to all of these women who have unselfishly served
24 Arkansas.

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26 NOW THEREFORE,

27 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE
28 OF ARKANSAS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

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30 THAT the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, recognizes the
31 100th Year Celebration of Women in State Legislatures and the many
32 contributions women serving, or formerly serving, in various capacities in
33 the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas.

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35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate forward a copy

1 of this resolution to the above-named women or their immediate families, and
2 the National Foundation for Women Legislators, Inc.