

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 91-4641, by Representatives Belcher, Ogden, Forner, Wood, Phillips, Ballard, Miller, Locke, Prentice, Roland, Riley, Grant, Franklin, Brekke, Winsley, Tate, Morris, Hine, Cantwell, R. Fisher, Haugen, Wineberry, Jacobsen, Fraser, Brough, D. Sommers, Chandler, Leonard, Moyer, Holland, Cole, Dorn, Basich, Silver, Vance, Prince, Mitchell, Schmidt, Paris, Rasmussen, Appelwick, Braddock, H. Sommers, Inslee, Rust, Lisk, Edmondson, Fuhrman, Casada, Wynne, Ludwig, Spanel, Bray and Bowman

WHEREAS, The month of March has been declared National Women's Month by the Congress of the United States, and Women's History Month in the state of Washington by Governor Gardner; and

WHEREAS, Since 1908, March 8th has been observed as International Women's Day by people around the world; and

WHEREAS, Women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of Washington state in countless recorded and unrecorded ways; and

WHEREAS, Women of color -- African-American, Hispanic, Native American, Asian, Pacific Islanders, and others, have defied discrimination based not only on their sex, but on their races or ethnicity, to make major contributions to the culture and history of this state; and

WHEREAS, Women have played and continue to play a critical role in economic, cultural, political, family and social issues in Washington state; and

WHEREAS, Women have played a unique role throughout the history of this state by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force; and

WHEREAS, Women have been particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in Washington state; and

WHEREAS, Women have served as leaders in causes to create a more equitable and just society for all; and

WHEREAS, Despite these contributions, the role of women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued in the body of American history;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives recognizes and commends the many contributions that women have made to our country, our state, and communities; and honors the invaluable contributions of women to the culture and history of the state of Washington.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4641 adopted by the House of Representatives March 14, 1991.

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Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives