## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13

## BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

## A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

STATING FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND ENCOURAGING CONTINUED RECOGNITION OF MARCH 14 AS IDAHO WOMEN'S DAY, ACKNOWLEDGING THE INFLUENCE, IMPACT, AND IMPORTANCE OF WOMEN IN IDAHO'S PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE, AND FURTHER ENCOURAGING CELEBRATION OF THE DAY THROUGH THE IDAHO STATE MUSEUM'S SPECIAL EXHIBITION "TRAILBLAZING WOMEN OF IDAHO."

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

WHEREAS, the members of the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-fifth Idaho Legislature adopted Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 118, establishing March 14 in perpetuity as Idaho Women's Day, to acknowledge the influence, impact, and importance of women in Idaho's past, present, and future; and

WHEREAS, in adopting the resolution, the Legislature recognized Ms. Emma Edwards Green's rendering of the Idaho State Seal, the only state seal ever designed by a woman, depicting a woman and a man as equal representatives of Idaho's unlimited potential, the imagery suggesting that women represent the ideals of justice and liberty and that they maintain equity in the state's bounties; and

WHEREAS, in adopting the resolution, the Legislature also recognized that August 18, 2020, would mark the centennial passage of the Nineteenth Amendment, which granted women the right to vote throughout the United States of America and determined that the centennial of the Nineteenth Amendment was a proper time to honor and recognize women leaders of Idaho's past and present who, through their skill, conviction, empathy, and determination, have had significant positive impacts on Idahoans, personally and professionally, and that it was in the State of Idaho's interest to foster women leaders of the future and advance their leadership in business and politics; and

WHEREAS, On March 13, 2021, the Idaho State Museum will open a special exhibition "Trailblazing Women of Idaho" in conjunction with the celebration of Idaho Women's Day. The exhibition will run through November 30 and celebrate those trailblazing, barrier-breaking women who have defined Idaho history, impacting political, cultural, economic, academic, social, and civic fields. From Sacajawea to Kristin Armstrong, Idaho women have forged, and continue to forge, new paths, and this exhibition explores the unique stories and characteristics of women who had a lasting impact on Idaho's history.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the First Regular Session of the Sixty-sixth Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring therein, that we encourage continued recognition of March 14 as Idaho Women's Day to acknowledge the influence, impact, and importance of women in Idaho's past, present, and future and further to encour-

- age celebration of the day through the Idaho State Museum's special exhibition "Trailblazing Women of Idaho."