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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION commemorating the
2 centennial anniversary of Indiana ratifying the 19th
3 Amendment.

4 *Whereas, On January 16, 1920, Indiana ratified the 19th*
5 *Amendment, which states, "The right of citizens of the United*
6 *States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United*
7 *States or by any state on account of sex";*

8 *Whereas, The effort in Indiana to grant women the right to*
9 *vote began almost 70 years prior, when one of the first women's*
10 *rights conventions in the country was organized by Randolph*
11 *County's Amanda Way, a Quaker reformer, and held in Dublin,*
12 *Indiana;*

13 *Whereas, Hoosier women went on to form numerous*
14 *organizations to encourage the Indiana General Assembly to*
15 *take favorable action on women's suffrage, including the Equal*
16 *Suffrage Society founded by May Wright Sewall, the Woman's*
17 *Franchise League founded by Grace Julian Clarke and Dr.*
18 *Amelia Keller, and Branch No. 7 of the Equal Suffrage*
19 *Association founded in the home of Madam C.J. Walker and*
20 *chaired by Carrie Barnes Ross;*

21 *Whereas, Hoosier women almost won the right to vote in*
22 *1883, and again in 1917, but were met with obstacles along the*
23 *way;*

24 *Whereas, Nevertheless, the persistence of brave women and*
25 *men led to Indiana being the 26th state to ratify the 19th*
26 *Amendment, with the suffrage amendment going into effect*



1 nationwide on August 26, 1920; and

2 *Whereas, Hoosiers should continue to gather inspiration from*
3 *Indiana's women's suffrage movement and celebrate this*
4 *important milestone in our state's and nation's history:*
5 *Therefore,*

6 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives*
7 *of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,*
8 *the Senate concurring:*

9 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly recognizes
10 and commemorates the centennial anniversary of Indiana
11 ratifying the 19th Amendment.

12 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
13 Representatives shall transmit copies of this resolution to the
14 Indiana Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission.

