

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

No. 12

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

214th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by:

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SYNOPSIS

Designates March of each year as Women's History Month in New Jersey.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel



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1 **A JOINT RESOLUTION** designating March of each year as Women's
2 History Month in the State of New Jersey in recognition of the
3 many accomplishments of American women and their
4 contributions to the history of this nation and State.

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6 **WHEREAS**, American women of every race, class and ethnic
7 background helped to create the foundations of this nation in
8 countless recorded and unrecorded ways as servants, slaves,
9 nurses, nuns, homemakers, industrial workers, teachers,
10 reformers, soldiers and pioneers; and

11 **WHEREAS**, American women have played and continue to play a
12 critical economic, cultural and social role in every sphere of our
13 nation's life by constituting a significant portion of the labor
14 force working in and outside of the home; and

15 **WHEREAS**, American women have played a unique role throughout
16 our history by providing the majority of the nation's volunteer
17 labor force and have been particularly important in the
18 establishment of early charitable, philanthropic and cultural
19 institutions in the country; and

20 **WHEREAS**, American women of every race, class and ethnic
21 background served as early leaders in the forefront of every
22 major progressive social change movement, not only to secure
23 their own right of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the
24 abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the
25 industrial labor union movement and the modern civil rights
26 movements; and

27 **WHEREAS**, Despite these contributions, the role of American
28 women has been consistently overlooked and undervalued
29 throughout American history; now, therefore,

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31 **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the*
32 *State of New Jersey:*

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34 1. The month of March of each year is designated as Women's
35 History Month in the State of New Jersey in recognition of the
36 many accomplishments of American women and their contributions
37 to the history of this nation and State.

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39 2. The Governor is requested to annually issue a proclamation
40 calling upon public officials and citizens of this State to observe
41 Women's History Month with appropriate activities and programs.

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43 3. This joint resolution shall take effect immediately.

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46 **STATEMENT**

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48 This joint resolution designates March of each year as Women's

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