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ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION No. 53

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Assemblywoman HECK and Assemblyman COLLINS

- 1 **AN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION** to designate the month of March, ¹[1996] 1997¹
2 as "Women's History Month" in the State of New Jersey in recognition of
3 the many accomplishments of American women and their contributions to
4 the history of this nation and State.
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6 **WHEREAS**, American women of every race, class and ethnic background
7 helped to create the foundations of this nation in countless recorded and
8 unrecorded ways as servants, slaves, nurses, nuns, homemakers, industrial
9 workers, teachers, reformers, soldiers and pioneers; and
10 **WHEREAS**, American women have played and continue to play a critical
11 economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of our nation's life by
12 constituting a significant portion of the labor force working in and outside
13 of the home; and
14 **WHEREAS**, American women have played a unique role throughout our history
15 by providing the majority of the nation's volunteer labor force and have
16 been particularly important in the establishment of early charitable,
17 philanthropic and cultural institutions in the country; and
18 **WHEREAS**, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background
19 served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social
20 change movement, not only to secure their own right of suffrage and equal
21 opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation
22 movement, the industrial labor union movement, and the modern civil rights
23 movements; and
24 **WHEREAS**, Despite these contributions, the role of American women in history
25 has been consistently overlooked and undervalued throughout American
26 history; now, therefore,

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Assembly floor amendments adopted February 20, 1997.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

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3 This House hereby designates the month of March, ¹[1996] 1997₁ as
4 "Women's History Month" in the State of New Jersey in recognition of the
5 many accomplishments of American women and their contributions to the
6 history of this nation and State.

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