SENATE RESOLUTION No. 61

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED JULY 25, 1996

By Senator LIPMAN

1 **A SENATE RESOLUTION** designating August 26, 1996 as "Women's Equality

2	Day" in recognition of the ratification of the 19th amendment to the United
3	States Constitution and commending the Alice Paul Centennial Foundation,
4	Inc.
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6	WHEREAS, On August 26, 1920, Tennessee became the necessary 36th state
7	to ratify the 19th amendment to the United States Constitution granting
8	women the right to vote; and
9	WHEREAS, It is crucial that the importance of this date in the struggle for equal
10	rights and women's suffrage be remembered and celebrated in New Jersey;
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12	WHEREAS, It is also crucial that the leaders of the women's suffrage
13	movement, especially Alice Paul, be remembered for their fight for justice
14	and equality; and
15	WHEREAS, Alice Paul, the architect of some of the most outstanding political
16	achievements for women in the early 20th century, was born to Quaker
17	parents and spent her childhood in Mount Laurel, New Jersey; and
18	WHEREAS, Alice Paul founded the National Women's Party to obtain
19	women's suffrage and wrote the Equal Rights Amendment and the equal
20	rights statement that appeared in the United Nations Charter; and
21	WHEREAS, Alice Paul and the members of the National Women's Party
22	revitalized the suffrage movement with marches, White House pickets and
23	rallies; and
24	WHEREAS, Alice Paul wrote and campaigned for the non-discrimination clause
25	of the 1964 Civil Rights Act that extended civil rights protection to women;
26	and
27	WHEREAS, Alice Paul's home, "Paulsdale," was named a National Historic
28	Landmark, the only such landmark dedicated to a woman in New Jersey;
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30	WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper that ratification of the 19th amendment to the
31	United States Constitution be remembered, honored and celebrated and
32	that the Alice Paul Centennial Foundation, Inc. be commended for its
33	activities; now, therefore,
34	Dr. In Drogov vice has the Court of the Court of the Court
35	BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of New Jersey:

1	1. This House designates August 26, 1996 as "Women's Equality Day,"
2	in recognition of the fact that on that date Tennessee became the necessary
3	36th state to ratify the 19th amendment to the United States Constitution
4	granting women the right to vote, and urges the citizens of New Jersey to
5	observe this day in ways appropriate to its importance and significance.
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7	2. This House commends the Alice Paul Centennial Foundation, Inc. for
8	the dedication of its members in creating a national leadership training center
9	for women and keeping the dreams of Alice Paul alive.
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14	This resolution designates August 26, 1996 as "Women's Equality Day" in
15	recognition of the fact that on that date Tennessee became the necessary 36th
16	state to ratify the 19th amendment to the United States Constitution granting
17	women the right to vote, and urges the citizens of New Jersey to observe this
18	day in ways appropriate to its importance and significance. The resolution also
19	commends the Alice Paul Centennial Foundation, Inc. for the dedication of its
20	members in creating a national leadership training center for women and
21	keeping the dreams of Alice Paul alive.
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26	Designates August 26, 1996 as "Women's Equality Day;" commends Alice
27	Paul Centennial Foundation.