



HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 01-1018

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Borodkin, Alexander, Berry, Boyd, Coleman, Hefley, Hodge, Hoppe, Jahn, Lawrence, Mace, Madden, Marshall, Ragsdale, Rhodes, Sanchez, Spence, Spradley, Stafford, Tochtrop, Veiga, Williams S., Williams T., Bacon, Cadman, Chavez, Clapp, Cloer, Crane, Daniel, Dean, Decker, Fairbank, Fritz, Garcia, Groff, Grossman, Jameson, Johnson, Kester, King, Larson, Lee, Miller, Mitchell, Nuñez, Paschall, Plant, Rippy, Romanoff, Saliman, Schultheis, Scott, Sinclair, Smith, Snook, Stengel, Swenson, Tapia, Vigil, Webster, Weddig, White, Witwer, and Young;

also SENATOR(S) Dennis, Anderson, Epps, Fitz-Gerald, Hanna, Musgrave, Nichol, Pascoe, Takis, Windels, Andrews, Arnold, Cairns, Chlouber, Dyer (Arapahoe), Evans, Gordon, Hagedorn, Hernandez, Hillman, Lamborn, Linkhart, Matsunaka, McElhany, Owen, Perlmutter, Phillips, Reeves, Tate, Teck, Thiebaut, and Tupa.

CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF WOMEN IN POLITICS MONTH.

WHEREAS, March 2001 is "Women's History Month", recognizing that women of every class and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the development and strength of the United States in countless ways; and

WHEREAS, The United States boasts a rich history of women whose vast and courageous achievements speak to the sense of excellence and potential shared by all Americans; and

WHEREAS, Our country would not be where it is without the strength, bravery, insight, and persistence of the women who have come before us; and

WHEREAS, Women have not only played a critical economic, cultural, and social role in our society, but women have also forever changed the face of American government and politics; and

WHEREAS, Today, women legislators play a vital role in addressing difficult social and economic issues and helping our country and the state of Colorado prepare for the future; and

WHEREAS, In 1894, Colorado was the first state to elect women legislators; and

WHEREAS, Colorado's women legislators chair numerous committees, influence policy, pass legislation, and have consistently demonstrated through their actions the importance of bipartisanship; and

WHEREAS, Today, over 22% of the 7,424 state legislators in the United States are women; and

WHEREAS, Today, 35% of Colorado's state legislators are women, the second highest percentage in the nation; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-third General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:

That the Colorado General Assembly hereby designates the month of March 2001, and every March thereafter, Women in Politics month, in recognition of the dedication and achievements of women legislators.

Be It Further Resolved, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent to Governor Bill Owens, each member of Colorado's Congressional delegation, and to those women's organizations of Colorado celebrating Women's History Month.

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