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RECOGNIZING THE ALABAMA CENTENNIAL OF WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, a proposed women's suffrage amendment was first introduced in the United States Senate in 1878 and was brought to a vote, unsuccessfully, in 1887, 1914, 1918, and 1919; and

WHEREAS, during 1919 and 1920, the Sixty-Sixth Congress debated, and the state legislatures considered, an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide suffrage for women; and

WHEREAS, on May 21, 1919, the House of Representatives approved a proposed amendment, followed by the United States Senate on June 4; several state legislatures followed within a few days of the approval of the amendment; and

WHEREAS, on August 18, 1920, Tennessee became the 36th State to ratify the amendment, providing the support of three-fourths of states necessary under Article V of the Constitution of the United States; and
WHEREAS, Alabama's celebration of the centennial of women's suffrage offers an opportunity for Alabamians to learn more about, and commemorate, the efforts of the women's suffrage movement and the role of women in our democracy; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we endorse the efforts of the existing Alabama Centennial of Women's Suffrage Committee for the purpose of leading the state in its centennial commemoration of women's suffrage, and hereby resolve to support the Alabama Centennial of Women's Suffrage Committee in promoting, planning, and executing the Committee's historic, educational, celebratory, and cultural initiatives to observe and commemorate the centennial of women's suffrage in the State of Alabama.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we encourage the Secretary of State to provide support to the Centennial of Women's Suffrage Committee, through his position as Alabama's election official and his efforts to educate Alabamians about the importance of the right to vote and voter participation.
President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution originated in and was adopted by the Senate.
Patrick Harris,
Secretary.

House of Representatives
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By: Senator Coleman-Madison