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1 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.
2 BY HOLVECK and GRUNDBERG
3 (COMPANION TO LSB 6738SS BY MADDOX)
4 A Concurrent Resolution designating March 2000 as Iowa
5 Women's History Month.

6 WHEREAS, Iowa women of every race, class, and
7 ethnic background have made historic contributions to
8 the growth and strength of our state and nation in
9 countless recorded and unrecorded ways, including
10 those contributions realized through the struggle for
11 women's rights; and

12 WHEREAS, Iowa women have played and continue to
13 play a critical economic, cultural, and social role by
14 constituting a significant portion of the labor force,
15 working inside and outside the home; and

16 WHEREAS, Iowa women were particularly important in
17 the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic,
18 and cultural institutions in our state and the nation;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Iowa women and men worked to amend the
21 Iowa Constitution to read "All men and women are, by
22 nature, free and equal, and have certain inalienable
23 rights ... "; and

24 WHEREAS, Iowa women were leaders in the
25 abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the
26 industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement,
27 the peace movement, and the women's suffrage movement,
28 creating a more equitable and just society for all;
29 and

30 WHEREAS, despite these contributions and those of

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1 women throughout the world, the role of women
2 continues to be overlooked and undervalued in
3 literature, teaching, and the study of history; NOW
4 THEREFORE,

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE
6 SENATE CONCURRING, That the General Assembly designate
7 the month of March 2000 as Iowa Women's History Month,
8 and invite the citizens of Iowa to continue to
9 discover, reveal, and celebrate the roles women have
10 played throughout history.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the General Assembly
12 request that the Governor issue a proclamation calling
13 upon the people of Iowa to observe Iowa Women's
14 History Month with appropriate programs, ceremonies,
15 and activities.

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