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10(0 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1 2 BY TINSMAN and HOLVECK 3 (COMPANION TO HCR 109) 4 A Concurrent Resolution designating March 2004 as Iowa Women's History Month. 5 WHEREAS, Iowa women of every race, class, and 6 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 through the struggle for women's rights; and WHEREAS, Iowa women have played and continue to 11 12 play a critical economic, cultural, and social role by 13 constituting a significant portion of the labor force 14 working inside and outside the home despite being 15 underpaid; and WHEREAS, Iowa women were particularly important in 16 17 the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, 18 and cultural institutions in our state and nation; and 19 WHEREAS, Iowa women and men finally amended the 20 Constitution of the State of Iowa to provide that "All 21 men and women are, by nature, free and equal, and have 22 certain inalienable rights ..."; and 23 WHEREAS, Iowa women have been leaders in the 24 abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the 25 industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, 26 the peace movement, and the women's suffrage movement, 27 which have created a more fair and just society for 28 all people; and

29 WHEREAS, despite these contributions, and those of 30 women throughout the world, the role of women has been

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1 consistently overlooked and undervalued in the 2 literature, teaching, and study of history; NOW 3 THEREFORE,

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF 5 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That the General Assembly 6 designates the month of March 2004 as Iowa Women's 7 History Month and invites the citizens of Iowa to 8 continue to uncover the roles women have played 9 throughout history.

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