

By: Senator(s) Dawkins, Williamson, Harden,
Hyde-Smith, Burton, Dearing, Frazier, Jackson
(11th), Jordan, Little, Simmons, Thomas

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 578

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DESIGNATING MARCH AS "WOMEN'S HISTORY
2 MONTH IN MISSISSIPPI" AND RECOGNIZING THE NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY
3 PROJECT.

4 WHEREAS, March 2005 is National Women's History Month; and

5 WHEREAS, in National Women's History Month, we honor all
6 women who have touched this nation's history and our own personal
7 history, women who contribute to the people and ideals of this
8 great country; and

9 WHEREAS, the 2005 Women's History Month theme, "Women Change
10 America," honors and recognizes the role of American women in
11 transforming culture, history and politics as leaders, writers,
12 scientists, educators, politicians, artists, historians and
13 informed citizens; and

14 WHEREAS, "Women Change America" also celebrates the myriad
15 ways in which the spirit, courage and contributions of American
16 women have added to the vitality, richness and diversity of
17 American life. In 2005, all previous Women's History Week and
18 Month Honorees will be recognized and celebrated as we explore how
19 "Women Change America"; and

20 WHEREAS, American women of every race, class and ethnic
21 background have made historic contributions to the growth and
22 strength of our nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, American women were particularly important in the
25 establishment of early charitable, philanthropic and cultural
26 institutions in our nation. American women have been leaders, not
27 only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal

28 opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the
29 emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil
30 rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace
31 movement, which create a more fair and just society for all; and

32 WHEREAS, to emphasize the role of women in our state, the
33 Legislature in 2001 established the Mississippi Commission on the
34 Status of Women to advise and consult with the Legislature and the
35 executive branch on policies affecting the political status and
36 other concerns of women in Mississippi; and

37 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize women who
38 serve as role models in pioneering Mississippi's future:

39 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
40 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
41 we do hereby designate March 2005 as "Women's History Month in
42 Mississippi" and recognize the honorees of the National Women's
43 History Project who represent the theme of "Women Change America."

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a certified copy of this
45 resolution be forwarded by the Secretary of State to the
46 Mississippi Commission on the Status of Women and a copy be made
47 available to the Capitol Press Corps.