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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 24-015

101 **CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF MARCH 2024 AS "WOMEN'S**
102 **HISTORY MONTH" IN COLORADO, AND, IN CONNECTION**
103 **THEREWITH, ACKNOWLEDGING THE COUNTLESS**
104 **CONTRIBUTIONS WOMEN HAVE MADE IN HISTORY AND TO**
105 **CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY.**

1 WHEREAS, Women of every race, class, and ethnic background
2 have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of both the
3 nation and the world in countless recorded and unrecorded ways; and

4 WHEREAS, American women have played, and continue to play,
5 a critical economic, cultural, and societal role in every sphere of life by
6 constituting a significant portion of the labor force, lending their energy
7 to work inside and outside of the home; and

*Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
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1 WHEREAS, Particularly vital in the establishment of early
2 charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in America, women
3 have been leaders every step of the way, securing their own rights of
4 suffrage and equal opportunity; and

5 WHEREAS, Through their contributions to the abolitionist
6 movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement,
7 the civil rights movement, and especially the peace movement, American
8 women have worked to create a more fair and just society for all; and

9 WHEREAS, After the American Revolution, the notion of
10 education as a safeguard for democracy created opportunities for women
11 to gain a basic education only; and

12 WHEREAS, Pioneers of secondary education for young women
13 faced arguments from physicians and others that women were incapable
14 of intellectual development equal to that of men and would be harmed by
15 striving for it; and

16 WHEREAS, The commitment to educational equality by women
17 throughout academia has resulted in their involvement and ascension in
18 politics and government; and

19 WHEREAS, The National Women's History Project, now known
20 as the National Women's History Alliance, began with a proclamation by
21 former United States President Jimmy Carter that declared the week of
22 March 8, 1980, as the first "National Women's History Week"; and

23 WHEREAS, Against social conventions and legal constraints,
24 women have created a legacy that broadens the frontiers of possibility for
25 future generations; and

26 WHEREAS, Women have demonstrated their character, courage,
27 and commitment as mothers, educators, institution builders, relief
28 workers, CEOs, and leaders in business, politics, religion, and their
29 communities; and

30 WHEREAS, The lives and work of women inspire girls and other
31 women to achieve their full potential and encourage boys and men to
32 respect the diversity and depth of women's experiences; and

1 WHEREAS, Thousands of events are occurring to mark the
2 economic, political, and social achievements of women as organizations,
3 governments, charities, educational institutions, women's groups,
4 corporations, and the media celebrate the month; and

5 WHEREAS, "Women's History Month" is an ideal platform for all
6 Coloradans to reflect on women's struggle for equal educational rights
7 and on their significant contributions to this state and to the nation; and

8 WHEREAS, Recognizing the month of March 2024 as "Women's
9 History Month" in Colorado highlights the achievements of the women
10 across this state and the nation who have created a more fair and just
11 society for all people; now, therefore,

12 *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventy-fourth General*
13 *Assembly of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives*
14 *concurring herein:*

15 That we, the Colorado General Assembly, recognize the month of
16 March 2024 as "Women's History Month" in Colorado and invite the
17 people of this state to explore the critical economic, cultural, and social
18 roles women have played and continue to play in every sphere of life in
19 Colorado and in America.