

## House Resolution 1462

By: Representatives Douglas of the 78<sup>th</sup>, Hugley of the 136<sup>th</sup>, Smith of the 70<sup>th</sup>, Wiedower of the 119<sup>th</sup>, and Metze of the 55<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the 100th anniversary of women's suffrage in the United States; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the result of a long fought and arduous battle to secure equal voting rights, the  
4 United States Secretary of State declared the Nineteenth Amendment officially ratified on  
5 August 18, 1920, which prohibited the denial of voting rights on the basis of sex; and

6 WHEREAS, due to the efforts of talented and determined women such as, Alice Paul, Carrie  
7 Chapman Catt, Lucy Burns, Lucy Stone, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Ida B. Wells, Inez  
8 Milholland, Jeannette Rankin, and Susan B. Anthony, who all gave much of their time,  
9 energy, and passion toward the fight for women's suffrage, equal voting rights for women  
10 have been secured in the United States for nearly 100 years; and

11 WHEREAS, as new generations are born in a time when lawful discrimination based on sex  
12 is prohibited, it is important to observe the history of women's suffrage in the United States  
13 and honor the suffragists who, despite brutal adversity, challenged the status quo to ensure  
14 a better future for women; and

15 WHEREAS, as August 18, 2020, marks the 100th year anniversary of the ratification of the  
16 Nineteenth Amendment, it is abundantly fitting and proper to recognize the legacy of  
17 women's suffrage and celebrate this critical event in history.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
19 the members of this body recognize the 100th anniversary of women's suffrage in the United  
20 States and honor the individuals who bravely fought to secure it.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
22 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
23 public and the press.