SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 520

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join citizens across the nation in celebrating March of 2013 as Women's History Month; and

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

WHEREAS, Women have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of life by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside of the home; and

WHEREAS, Women have played a unique role throughout the history of our state and nation by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force; and

WHEREAS, American women were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions; and

WHEREAS, Women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the history of this nation, women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which create a more fair and just society for all; and

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WHEREAS, Despite these contributions, the role of women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued in the literature, teaching, and study of American history; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby designate March of 2013 as Women's History Month in Texas and call on the people of this state to celebrate this occasion with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of Women's History Month.

Huffman

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 20, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate