

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The observance of Women's History Month during March
2 2015 provides an ideal opportunity to acknowledge the historic
3 contributions made by women in the Lone Star State and beyond; and

4 WHEREAS, Since the founding of the Texas Republic, women have
5 played crucial roles in the social, economic, and cultural spheres;
6 Texas women participated in the abolitionist movement, and they not
7 only secured their own right to vote, but have also worked in behalf
8 of all citizens to promote equal opportunity, civil rights, peace,
9 and justice; and

10 WHEREAS, The first woman to run for the United States Senate
11 was a Texas suffragette, Minnie Fisher Cunningham, who served as
12 the founding executive secretary of the League of Women Voters; in
13 1910, women's rights activist Hortense Sparks Ward became the first
14 woman to pass the Texas bar exam; Fort Worth philanthropist Edna
15 Gladney advocated for child welfare and secured passage of state
16 legislation granting equal inheritance rights to adopted children
17 and banishing the word "illegitimate" from birth certificates; and

18 WHEREAS, Later in the 20th century, Oveta Culp Hobby became
19 the first director of the Women's Army Corps; Frances T. "Sissy"
20 Farenthold championed civil rights and women's rights as a Texas
21 state representative and gubernatorial candidate; she went on to
22 become a national figure in the human rights movement in the 1980s,
23 and she continues her endeavors today; other Texas women who have
24 left an indelible imprint include the state's second female

1 governor, Ann Richards, pioneering African American congresswoman
2 Barbara Jordan, and Emma Tenayuca, a leader of oppressed workers in
3 the Mexican American community; and

4 WHEREAS, Another leader, Dolores Huerta, has had an
5 immeasurable influence around the country through her success as a
6 community organizer and an advocate for the working poor, children,
7 and women; cofounder of the National Farmworkers Association, she
8 has been honored with the Presidential Medal of Freedom; and

9 WHEREAS, The strength of our nation depends heavily on the
10 continued advancement of women; by acknowledging the enormous
11 positive impact they have made, we encourage future generations to
12 ensure that gender is not an obstacle that must be overcome on the
13 road to achievement; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
15 Legislature hereby recognize March as Women's History Month and
16 celebrate the contributions made by women to this state and nation.

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Straus	González	Paddie
Allen	Guerra	Parker
Alonzo	Guillen	Paul
Alvarado	Gutierrez	Peña
Anchia	Harless	Phelan
Anderson of Dallas	Hernandez	Phillips
Anderson of McLennan	Herrero	Pickett
Ashby	Howard	Price
Aycock	Huberty	Raney
Bell	Hughes	Raymond
Bernal	Hunter	Reynolds
Blanco	Isaac	Riddle
Bohac	Israel	Rinaldi
Bonnen of Brazoria	Johnson	Rodriguez of Bexar
Bonnen of Galveston	Kacal	Rodriguez of Travis
Burkett	Keffer	Romero, Jr.
Burns	Keough	Rose
Burrows	King of Hemphill	Sanford
Button	King of Parker	Schaefer
Canales	King of Taylor	Schofield
Capriglione	King of Uvalde	Schubert
Clardy	Klick	Shaheen
Coleman	Koop	Sheets
Collier	Krause	Sheffield
Cook	Kuempel	Simmons
Craddick	Landgraf	Simpson
Crownover	Larson	Smith
Cyrier	Laubenberg	Smithee
Dale	Leach	Spitzer
Darby	Longoria	Springer
Davis of Dallas	Lozano	Stephenson
Davis of Harris	Lucio III	Stickland
Deshotel	Márquez	Thompson of Brazoria
Dukes	Martinez	Thompson of Harris
Dutton	Martinez Fischer	Tinderholt
Elkins	McClendon	Turner of Collin
Faircloth	Metcalf	Turner of Harris
Fallon	Meyer	Turner of Tarrant
Farias	Miles	VanDeaver
Farney	Miller of Comal	Villalba
Farrar	Miller of Fort Bend	Vo
Fletcher	Moody	Walle
Flynn	Morrison	White of Bell
Frank	Muñoz, Jr.	White of Tyler
Frullo	Murphy	Workman
Galindo	Murr	Wray
Geren	Naishtat	Wu
Giddings	Nevárez	Zedler
Goldman	Oliveira	Zerwas
Gonzales	Otto	

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1445 was adopted by the House on March 25, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House