

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

3 SENATE CONCURRENT
4 RESOLUTION 16

By: Hicks and Stanley of the
Senate

5 and

6 Miller and Ranson of the
7 House

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10 AS INTRODUCED

11 A Concurrent Resolution applauding and recognizing
12 the many contributions made by Oklahoma women to our
13 nation; recognizing and celebrating March as national
14 Women's History Month; and directing distribution.

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16 WHEREAS, Oklahoma women have made historic contributions to the
17 development, growth, and strength of our state and nation in
18 countless ways; and

19 WHEREAS, even though women did not yet have the right to vote,
20 in 1907, Kate Barnard became the first woman elected to a statewide
21 office in Oklahoma, and one of the first women elected to a
22 statewide office in the country; and

23 WHEREAS, in 1933, Angie Debo received a Ph.D. in history from
24 the University of Oklahoma, and though she would never hold a
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1 position in a history department at a university because of gender
2 discrimination, she became known as Oklahoma's greatest historian,
3 writing nine history books, particularly focusing on the history of
4 Oklahoma, the Tribal Nations, and the relations between them and the
5 state and federal governments; and

6 WHEREAS, in 1958, Clara Luper and students from the Oklahoma
7 City NAACP Youth Council staged the nation's first nonviolent lunch
8 counter sit-in at Katz Drug Store; and

9 WHEREAS, in the 1990s, Oklahoman and NASA Astronaut Shannon
10 Lucid set records for the most time in space by a woman and then for
11 the longest-duration space flight by any U.S. astronaut; and

12 WHEREAS, Oklahoma women have made significant contributions in
13 other areas as well, including medicine, business, literature, the
14 arts, and more; and

15 WHEREAS, Oklahoma joins the rest of the country in observation
16 of national Women's History Month during March.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION
18 OF THE 60TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
19 CONCURRING THERIN:

20 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature applauds and recognizes the
21 many contributions made by Oklahoma women throughout the nation's
22 history.

23 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature recognizes and celebrates
24 March as national Women's History Month.

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THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Oklahoma
Commission on the Status of Women.

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