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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

HOUSE RESOLUTION

PROCLAIMING MARCH OF 2022, TO BE "WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Representatives Vella-Wilkinson, Williams, Donovan, Casimiro, Alzate, Kazarian, Baginski, Ackerman, Shekarchi, and Blazejewski

<u>Date Introduced:</u> March 10, 2022

Referred To: House read and passed

1	WHEREAS, Women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic
2	contributions to the growth and strength of our State and Nation in countless recorded and
3	unrecorded ways; and
4	WHEREAS, Women have played and continue to play critical economic, cultural, and
5	social roles in every sphere of life in Rhode Island by constituting a significant portion of the
6	labor force working inside and outside of the home; and
7	WHEREAS, Women were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable,
8	philanthropic, and cultural institutions in our State; and
9	WHEREAS, Women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders
10	in the forefront of every major social change movement and have served our country
11	courageously in all branches of the military and public safety; and
12	WHEREAS, Women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage
13	and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the
14	industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and especially the peace movement, which
15	creates a fairer and just society for all; and
16	WHEREAS, Despite these contributions, the role of women has been consistently
17	overlooked and undervalued, in the literature, teaching, and the study of American history; now,
18	therefore be it
19	RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby

proclaims March of 2022, to be "Women's History Month" in recognition of the many contributions of women; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this House, in keeping with the National Women's History Month focus, has also adopted the theme "Women Providing Healing, Promoting Hope" as "a tribute to the ceaseless work of caregivers and frontline workers during this ongoing pandemic" and also recognizing "the thousands of ways that women of all cultures have provided both healing and hope throughout history."

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