

**Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Thursday, January 3, 2019**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3009  
(Representatives Roers Jones, M. Johnson, O'Brien, Pyle, Schreiber-Beck)  
(Senators J. Lee, Oban, J. Roers, Unruh)

A concurrent resolution recognizing the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ratification of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the United States Constitution, which provided women the right to vote, and urging Congress to continue working to provide equal rights to women.

**WHEREAS**, the women's rights movement began in Seneca Falls, New York, in 1848 when the first-ever Women's Rights Convention was organized by Lucretia Mott and Elizabeth Cady Stanton; and

**WHEREAS**, the convention started a 72-year national battle to achieve "Votes for Women", which played out in every state capitol as well as Congress until the ratification of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment; and

**WHEREAS**, 2017 marks 100 years since New York State signed women's suffrage into law, three years before the United States adopted the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment; and

**WHEREAS**, President Woodrow Wilson called a special session of Congress and on May 21, 1919, the House of Representatives passed a bill calling for a constitutional amendment with the Senate following suit on June 4, 1919; and

**WHEREAS**, North Dakota ratified the amendment on December 1, 1919, and on August 18, 1920, ratification was completed with approval by the Tennessee General Assembly; and

**WHEREAS**, the 1920 election became the first United States presidential election in which women were permitted to vote in every state;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

That the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly recognizes the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ratification of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the United States Constitution and urges the Congress of the United States to continue to provide equal rights for women; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019,  
at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State