

104TH CONGRESS  
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# H. CON. RES. 158

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 29, 1996

Mr. BROWDER submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on House Oversight

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## **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

Instructing the Architect of the Capitol to recommend measures to recognize, through the National Statuary Hall, the ongoing contributions of all American citizens, including women.

Whereas President Clinton proclaimed March as Women's History Month;

Whereas National Statuary Hall was established by an Act of Congress in 1864 as a place where each State may honor 2 of its citizens who were "illustrious for their historic renown or for distinguished civic or military services" by providing statues of those citizens for display in the National Statuary Hall;

Whereas 46 of the 95 statues donated by the States were placed in the National Statuary Hall before ratification

of the 19th amendment to the Constitution provided for women's suffrage in 1920;

Whereas only 6 of the 95 statues honor women, leaving the historic contributions of women underrepresented in the National Statuary Hall; and

Whereas the statues have become the property of the United States and have formed a static display of each State's historic citizens: Now, therefore, be it

1        *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*  
2 *concurring)*, That the Architect of the Capitol, not later  
3 than 60 days after the date of the approval of this resolu-  
4 tion and after consultation with individuals who are knowl-  
5 edgeable about history and the arts, shall transmit to Con-  
6 gress a report recommending measures to recognize the  
7 ongoing contributions of all American citizens, including  
8 women.

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