

106TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. 202

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the artwork displayed in the Capitol and in the office buildings of the House of Representatives should represent the contributions of women to American society.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 8, 1999

Ms. KAPTUR (for herself, Mrs. MORELLA, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mrs. KELLY, Mrs. CAPPS, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Ms. LEE, Ms. WOOLSEY, Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. FROST, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. REYES, Mrs. NORTHUP, Mr. FILNER, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. COSTELLO, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. BERKLEY, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. DeLauro, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. CONYERS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. BROWN of California, Ms. KILPATRICK, and Mr. SANDERS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the artwork displayed in the Capitol and in the office buildings of the House of Representatives should represent the contributions of women to American society.

Whereas throughout the history of the United States, women have made enduring contributions to the development and advancement of American society;

Whereas women have won the right to vote, have borne and reared our children, have helped to build communities, have become nurses, doctors, teachers, lawyers, and Members of Congress, have worked full time, have explored outer space, and have contributed widely in all walks of life;

Whereas women have demonstrated high levels of achievement in every aspect of American society;

Whereas the artwork displayed in the Capitol and in the office buildings of the House of Representatives reflects American society, and being represented in the artwork is an important honor to individuals who have made significant contributions to the history of the United States;

Whereas of all the pieces of artwork displayed in the Capitol and in the office buildings of the House of Representatives, less than 5 percent are pieces that depict the contributions of women to American society; and

Whereas the artwork displayed in the Capitol and in the office buildings of the House of Representatives severely underrepresents the contributions of women to American society: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That—

2 (1) it is the sense of the House of Representa-
3 tives that the artwork displayed in the Capitol and
4 in the office buildings of the House of Representa-
5 tives should also represent the contributions of
6 women to American society; and

7 (2) the House of Representatives expresses full
8 support for the efforts of the House Fine Arts

1 Board, the Joint Committee on the Library, and the
2 Architect of the Capitol to incorporate into their reg-
3 ular plan for the Capitol and the office buildings of
4 the House of Representatives a selection of displayed
5 artwork that is more fully representative of the con-
6 tributions of women to American society.

