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S. RES. 35

Honoring the 100th anniversary of Nellie Tayloe Ross becoming the first female elected as the Governor of a State in the United States.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 24, 2025

Ms. LUMMIS (for herself and Mr. BARRASSO) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Honoring the 100th anniversary of Nellie Tayloe Ross becoming the first female elected as the Governor of a State in the United States.

Whereas, in 1925, Nellie Tayloe Ross (referred to in this preamble as “Governor Ross”), a pioneering figure in United States politics who made significant contributions to the advancement of women in leadership and public service, achieved the historic distinction of being the first female elected as the Governor of a State in the United States;

Whereas, on January 5, 1925, Governor Ross was inaugurated as the 14th Governor of Wyoming, a momentous event in the political history of the United States that not only marked a major milestone for the rights and em-

powerment of women, but also set a precedent for women in governance across the United States;

Whereas, during her tenure, Governor Ross demonstrated exceptional leadership in advocating for banking reform, public health, education, and the overall welfare of the people of the State of Wyoming, embodying a steadfast commitment to public service and the betterment of the State;

Whereas the groundbreaking leadership of Governor Ross represented the principles of progress and innovation, serving as a symbol of determination, resilience, and the tireless spirit of women in the State of Wyoming and the United States; and

Whereas the Senate, recognizing the profound impact of the legacy of Governor Ross, honors and celebrates the enduring influence of the achievements of Governor Ross, which continue to inspire generations of women to achieve leadership roles in all levels of government: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) recognizes and commemorates the legacy of
3 Governor Nellie Tayloe Ross (referred to in this res-
4 olution as “Governor Ross”) and her
5 groundbreaking role as the first female elected as
6 the Governor of a State in the United States;

7 (2) celebrates the lasting contributions of Gov-
8 ernor Ross to the advancement of women in leader-
9 ship positions; and

1 (3) calls on the citizens of the United States to
2 join in the observance of January, 2025, as the
3 100th anniversary of the pioneering spirit of Gov-
4 ernor Ross, whose work continues to inspire and em-
5 power women in the political arena and beyond.

