

## House Resolution 557

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing March 22, 2015, as Women's History Celebration Day at Saint Mark CME  
2 Church; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made  
4 historic contributions to the growth and strength of our nation in countless recorded and  
5 unrecorded ways; and

6 WHEREAS, American women have played and continue to play a critical economic,  
7 cultural, and social role in our nation by constituting a significant portion of the labor force  
8 working inside and outside of the home; and

9 WHEREAS, American women have played a unique role throughout the history of the nation  
10 by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force of the nation; and

11 WHEREAS, American women were particularly important in the establishment of early  
12 charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in our nation; and

13 WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early  
14 leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement; and

15 WHEREAS, American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of  
16 suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation  
17 movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements,  
18 especially the peace movement, which create a more fair and just society for all; and

19 WHEREAS, despite these contributions, the role of American women in history has been  
20 consistently overlooked and undervalued in the literature, teaching, and study of American  
21 history; and

22 WHEREAS, Pastor Willett P. Waller and the members of Saint Mark CME Church have set  
23 aside March 22, 2015, as a day to recognize the contributions of all women, past and present,  
24 toward helping develop this great nation.

25 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
26 the members of this body recognize March 22, 2015, as Women's History Celebration Day  
27 at Saint Mark CME Church.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
29 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to  
30 members of the public and the press.