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RESOLUTION NO.

1	[Commendation of 84 th Anniversary of the 19 th Amendment.]
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3	Resolution commending the 84 th anniversary of the 19 th Amendment to the United
4	States Constitution, extending the right of suffrage to women.
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6	WHEREAS, August 2004 marks the 84 th anniversary of the ratification of the 19 th
7	amendment to the United States Constitution; and,
8	WHEREAS, The 19 th amendment guarantees all women who are United States citizens
9	the right to vote by declaring that the right to vote not be denied or abridged on account of
10	sex; and,
11	WHEREAS, The passage of the 19 th amendment is a historic victory resulting from
12	decades of agitation, protest and struggle; and,
13	WHEREAS, Beginning in the mid-19th century, several generations of women's
14	suffrage supporters lectured, wrote, marched, lobbied and practiced civil disobedience to
15	achieve what many Americans considered a radical change of the United States Constitution;
16	and,
17	WHEREAS, Few early supporters lived to see their final victory in 1920 with the
18	passage of the 19 th Amendment to the United States Constitution; and,
19	WHEREAS, The Anniversary of the passage of the 19 th Amendment to the United
20	States Constitution is celebrated by women's rights organizations across the United States
21	through events emphasizing solidarity, unity and empowerment; now, therefore, be it
22	RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors commends the 84 th anniversary of the 19 th
23	Amendment to the United States Constitution, extending the right of suffrage to women.
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