HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.142

Reps. Glenn, Love, Shannon, and Stone offered the following resolution:

- 1 A resolution to commemorate August 26, 2019, as the 99th
- 2 anniversary of the adoption of the Nineteenth Amendment by the
- 3 Congress of the United States.
- 4 Whereas, Congress proposed the Nineteenth Amendment on June 4,
- **5** 1919; and
- 6 Whereas, On June 10, 1919, the first three states ratified the
- 7 Nineteenth Amendment, including Michigan; and
- 8 Whereas, Over a year later on August 18, 1920, Tennessee
- 9 became the thirty-sixth state to ratify the Nineteenth Amendment;
- **10** and
- 11 Whereas, On August 26, 1920, U.S. Secretary of State



- 1 Bainbridge Colby certified the Nineteenth Amendment, and women
- 2 finally achieved the long-sought right to vote in the United
- 3 States; and
- 4 Whereas, On November 2, 1920, millions of women across the
- 5 United States voted in elections for the first time; and
- 6 Whereas, Each year to follow, more women have been
- 7 participating in elections and public service, including the
- 8 record-high 53 women currently serving in the Michigan House of
- 9 Representatives; and
- 10 Whereas, This would have not have been possible without the
- 11 decades of hard work and sacrifices made by those who contributed
- 12 to making the Nineteenth Amendment a reality; and
- 13 Whereas, We recognize and honor those individuals who changed
- 14 the course of our history and opened so many doors for women in
- 15 America; now, therefore, be it
- 16 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
- 17 this legislative body commemorate August 26, 2019, as the 99th
- 18 anniversary of the adoption of the Nineteenth Amendment by the
- 19 Congress of the United States.