Stand with Martha.

The Utah Legislature is considering a resolution to place a statue of Dr. Martha Hughes Cannon in Washington D.C.

We need your help to make it happen.

Who is Martha?

Dr. Martha Hughes Cannon was the first female state senator in the nation. She was elected to the Utah State Senate in 1896, 25 years before most women in the United States could even vote. Placing her statue in Washington D.C. gives us the opportunity to share her story, as well as stories from the dozens of amazing women from Utah.

Why a Statue?

Every state has two statues in National Statuary Hall in Washington D.C. — and only 9 of the 100 statues are women (yes, it’s true). We think Martha would be an amazing addition and representative for the state of Utah.

Let’s take this opportunity to support #SendMartha so our students know that they really can make a difference.

Why Now?

Utah played an important and historic role in the women’s rights movement and it’s time to tell that story.

- On February 14th, 1870 the first American woman voted—here, in the beautiful state of Utah.

- The year 2020 is the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment, which allowed women the right to vote. #ShatterGlass

- The year 2020 is the 55th Anniversary of the Voting Rights Act which made suffrage possible for ALL women.

Passing this resolution during the 2018 season will give us an opportunity to place Martha’s statue in the year 2020 to celebrate those anniversaries.

DO SOMETHING

Here are a few easy ways you can support #SendMartha

* Talk with your students about #sendMartha
* Post a photo or video about #SendMartha to your social feed
* Tweet your support with #SendMartha, tag your legislator
* Create a #SendMartha meme
* Send a #SendMartha Valentine to your colleagues or students
* Offer your students extra credit for getting involved in #SendMartha
* Email your legislator about your support

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