



Speaker Pelosi And Leader McCarthy Celebrate 100 Years of Women's Suffrage

WASHINGTON, DC - Tuesday, May 21, 2019, the U.S. House of Representatives passed a resolution to celebrate 100 years of women's suffrage. The bipartisan vote was far from controversial. When members weighed in on suffrage in 1919, it was a hotly debated issue.

"Today's bipartisan vote honors women who fought for equality at the ballot box when doing so was neither safe nor fashionable," said Kay Coles James, Chairwoman of the Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission.

"We must never forget the brave, bold women who ignored threats and danger to push us closer to a more perfect union and guarantee voting rights for women," said Barbara Mikulski Vice Chairwoman of the Commission.

"Passing House Resolution 354 launches the efforts of the Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission," said Rebecca Kleefisch, Executive Director of the Commission. "We have more than a year of amazing celebrations to honor the strong, smart women who worked so hard for equal rights at the ballot box."

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The Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission was established by Congress to commemorate and coordinate the nationwide celebration of the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment and to educate the American people about the efforts and undertakings of the women's suffrage movement in the United States. Learn more by visiting womensvote100.org.

Photo Caption: House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy look on as Commission Chairwoman, The Honorable Kay Coles James addresses a bipartisan gathering during a celebration of 100 years of women's voting rights.