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8 URGING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO REQUEST
9 PLACEMENT OF A WOMAN ON THE TWENTY DOLLAR BILL IN 2020.

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11 WHEREAS, each of the eleven denominations of the
12 paper bills in circulation in the United States features the
13 portrait of a man and there have been no changes to those
14 portraits since 1929; women have been featured on coins in the
15 United States, including Lady Liberty, Susan B. Anthony,
16 Sacawega, and others; and

17 WHEREAS, women have played an important role in the
18 history of the United States including activism equal to or
19 exceeding that of men on subjects such as war, violence, and
20 various individual rights, including civil rights and women's
21 rights; and

22 WHEREAS, a nonprofit organization called Women on
23 20s has begun a national campaign to have a woman placed on
24 the U.S. twenty dollar bill in the year 2020, which is the
25 centennial of women's suffrage, a campaign that covered
26 seventy years; and

1 WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Treasury is
2 responsible for the designs on paper notes, including
3 portraits, and the only legal standard is that the individual
4 must be deceased; in a speech in 2014, President Barack Obama
5 acknowledged awareness of the void of women on paper money
6 when he referenced a letter from a young girl asking why women
7 had not been on U.S. currency; and

8 WHEREAS, determining to remove Andrew Jackson from
9 the twenty has been previously considered by others due in
10 part to his opposition to central banking and his promotion of
11 the Indian Removal Act, expelling Native Americans from their
12 homes; the process of selecting which woman to place on a bill
13 is difficult in light of the multitude and diversity of women
14 who have significantly impacted the development and progress
15 of this country; various groups are reviewing nominations of
16 women to consider and may make a recommendation this year
17 based on the societal impact and the difficulties encountered
18 by women in pursuing goals; and

19 WHEREAS, it appears appropriate to recognize the
20 significance of women in United States history by placing the
21 portrait of a woman on the twenty dollar bill in 2020, the
22 centennial of women's suffrage; now therefore,

23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
24 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we support this campaign
25 operated by the Women on 20s and urge the President of the
26 United States to request that the Secretary of the Treasury
27 place a portrait of a woman on the twenty dollar bill in the

1 year 2020 and further, that copies of this resolution be
2 transmitted to the President of the United States and the
3 Secretary of the United States Treasury.