

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1971 SESSION

CHAPTER 327  
HOUSE BILL 501

AN ACT RATIFYING THE 19TH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, RELATING TO THE RIGHT OF ALL CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES TO VOTE, REGARDLESS OF SEX.

Whereas, the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein), proposed in 1919 that the following amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America become valid as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of the several states to wit: "The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex;"

Whereas, thirty-six states having ratified the proposed amendment, it was certified on August 26, 1920, as a part of the Constitution of the United States of America; Whereas, the State of North Carolina is proud of the outstanding record compiled by the female citizens of North Carolina in the effective and informed use of the right to vote, as well as their many other contributions to the State of North Carolina; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

**Section 1.** That the 19th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America set out in the preamble to this act be, and the same is, hereby ratified by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina.

**Sec. 2.** That certified copies of this preamble and act be forwarded by the Governor of this State to the Secretary of State at Washington, D.C. to the Presiding Officer of the United States Senate, and to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States.

**Sec. 3.** This act shall become effective upon its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 6th day of May, 1971.