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**EQUAL SUFFRAGE MEASURE IS ADOPTED**

HOUSE WILL ACT TODAY; SENATE VOTE UNANIMOUS

Mrs. Elizabeth Howard Calls Up Ratification Motion Before Solons

To Mrs. Elizabeth Hayward, senator from Salt Lake, was accorded the honor of introducing the concurrent resolution which ratifies the Susan B. Anthony amendment to the national constitution granting universal suffrage. She offered Senate concurrent resolution No. 1 as soon as the Senate was organized. It was as follows:

**Text of Resolution**

“Senate concurrent resolution No. 1. A concurrent resolution authorizing the ratification of the federal suffrage amendment to the constitution of the United States.

“Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Utah, two-thirds of all the members elected to each of the two houses concurring therein:

“Whereas, The Senate and House of Representatives of the United States at the first session of the Sixty-sixth Congress of the United States of America by House joint resolution No. 1, proposed the following amendment to the constitution of the United States, to become valid as part of the constitution of the United States when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states, as provided by said constitution.

**Article XVIII**

“Section 1. 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.

“Section 2. Congress shall have power, by appropriate legislation, to enforce the provisions of this article.

“Whereas, the State of Utah has always favored equal suffrage, and many of its citizens, both men and women, through personal efforts and untiring energy have labored for the adoption of the federal suffrage amendment to the constitution of the United States; and

“Whereas, The said amendment having passed the Senate of the United States on May 19, 1919; now, therefore, be it

“Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives of the Thirteenth Legislature of the State of Utah in special session convened, do hereby ratify the eighteenth amendment to the United States constitution, commonly known as the federal suffrage amendment.”

### No Comment Made

Mrs. Hayward in introducing the resolution simply said that no comment was necessary on the resolution, as Utah had already granted suffrage to women and had been one of the first states to grant it, therefore, she moved its adoption.

Senator George Dern delivered a facetious address on the amendment, while Senator J. W. McKinney said that the granting of suffrage to the women of the country was only next in importance to the ratification of the peace treaty, and he seconded the motion to adopt the resolution which was done by the unanimous vote of the Senate.

As to who will bring the matter up in the House has not been decided, as there are three women members, and there are one or two men who are anxious to call up the matter. It will be presented in the House today and will be adopted by unanimous vote, as in the Senate.