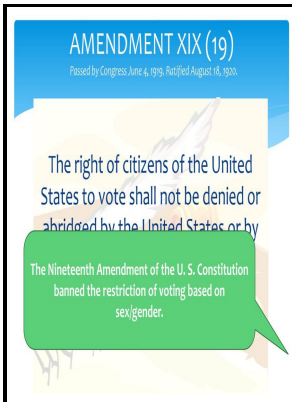


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Amendment XIX. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE RIGHTS

In November 1920, a ballot initiative to amend the Mississippi state constitution in favor of women's eligibility to vote was put to the voters. Representative Burn, at the urging of his mother, cast the deciding vote on August 18, 1920, making Tennessee the final state needed for the ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment.

19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution: Women's Right to Vote

On August 26, 2016, a monument commemorating Tennessee's role in providing the required 36th state ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment was unveiled in in. Although the proportion of women in national legislatures may have doubled over that 24-year period, there is obviously much more room for that to grow.

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Santa Cruz, CA: American Graphic Press. Other limitations After adoption of the Nineteenth Amendment, women still faced political limitations.

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A vigorous campaign brought congressional passage of a proposed Amendment in 1919 and the necessary state ratifications in 1920. Modern American Women: A Documentary History. Nearly a thousand civil rights workers converged on the South to support voting rights as part of , and the 1965 brought further participation and support.

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By August of 1920, however, 36 states ratified the 19th Amendment, ensuring that in every state, the right to vote could not be denied based on sex -- including in Mississippi. Suffragists pressured President Wilson to call a special session of Congress and he agreed to schedule one for May 19, 1919.

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