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ARCHIVES ANNOUNCES OPENING OF NEW EXHIBITION ON AUGUST 26, 2021 JUSTICE NOT FAVOR: ALABAMA WOMEN AND THE VOTE

Montgomery, Ala. (08/23/2021) — The Alabama Department of Archives and History (ADAH) announces the opening of its new exhibition *Justice Not Favor: Alabama Women & the Vote* at the Museum of Alabama, located inside the ADAH. The exhibition will open to the public on **Thursday, August 26, 2021,** 101 years to the day that the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, granting women the right to vote, became effective.

The exhibition explores the compelling story of the long fight to secure voting rights for women in the state. From the debate over the 19th Amendment through the modern Civil Rights era, it illuminates the lives and voices of Alabama suffragists across four generations. Across time, a demand for "justice, not favor" connects these women—determined organizers, stalwart opponents, trailblazing female officeholders, courageous voting-rights marchers, and countless others—as part of Alabama's complex suffrage story.

"Justice Not Favor will connect visitors with generations of women who were not content to remain excluded from the political processes affecting their rights as Americans and Alabamians," said ADAH director Steve Murray. "Their persistence speaks to us of the precious value of the right to vote, and of the responsibility of all Americans to exercise the right for which so many struggled to achieve."

The exhibition will be **on view through May 31, 2022.**

The Museum of Alabama is open Monday through Saturday from 8:30 to 4:30. Admission is always free.

For more information, visit www.archives.alabama.gov or call (334) 353-3312. To learn more about the commemoration of the centennial of women's suffrage in Alabama visit www.alabamawomen100.org. In accordance with CDC guidelines, all visitors to the ADAH are strongly encouraged to wear masks and maintain an appropriate social distance from those not in their household.

The Alabama Department of Archives and History is the state's government-records repository, a special-collections library and research facility, and home to the Museum of Alabama, the state history museum. It is located in downtown Montgomery, directly across the street from the State Capitol. The Archives and Museum are open Monday through Saturday, 8:30 to 4:30. The EBSCO Research Room is open Tuesday through Saturday from 8:30 to 4:30. To learn more, visit www.archives.alabama.gov or call (334) 242-4364.

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