

Zonta International Amelia Earhart Day 11 January

Whereas, Amelia Earhart was the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic, the first woman to be awarded the U.S. Distinguished Flying Cross and the first woman transatlantic passenger and

Whereas, Amelia Earhart made her record flight from Hawaii to California on 11 January 1935, 11 January has been designated Amelia Earhart Day by members of Zonta International, a global organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women, who have long recognized this woman of courage, character and culture and

Whereas, Amelia Earhart encouraged women to expand their horizons by exploring occupations and holding positions beyond those traditionally held by women and

Whereas, Amelia Earhart was a beloved member of Zonta International before she was lost in the Pacific on a flight attempting to circle the globe by air in 1937 and

Whereas, in 1938, a year after her disappearance, Zonta International established its annual graduate fellowships in aerospace-related sciences and aerospace-related engineering which since that time has awarded 1,438 fellowships, totaling more than 8.6 million U.S. dollars, given to 1,014 women from 70 countries as a living memorial to her,

We hereby recognize 11 January as Amelia Earhart Day.