

**MARCHING TO VICTORY:  
WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE CULMINATES IN TENNESSEE**  
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As you undoubtedly know, Tennessee was the "Perfect 36," the 36<sup>th</sup> state to ratify the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment to become a part of our Constitution. On August 26, 2006, the 86<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the *first statue* in the nation dedicated to the Women's Suffrage will be dedicated in Knoxville, Tennessee. Funds for the statue were privately raised from many donors. The exciting events will include a parade featuring women in period costume and in the white of the Suffragists, vintage autos, and horses. Descendants of the women who fought for our voting rights in Tennessee plan to attend. Please come and join in our march to celebrate Victory!

On the eve of the dedication, August 25, a reception will be held at the East Tennessee Historical Society museum from 5:30-7:30 p.m. You will have the opportunity to enjoy an outstanding exhibit of artifacts and memorabilia from the battle for our voting rights and the Victory. The exhibit will include many items from the extensive collection of Knoxville attorney Wanda Sobieski. A parlor will be included, with period museum. Invitations for the reception are available from Sobieski and Messer.

We hope that you will join us in Knoxville for these historic events. You all please come!