CITY OF MILWAUKIE "Dogwood City of the West" PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Milwaukie women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our City in countless recorded and unrecorded ways; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukie women have played and continue to play critical economic, cultural, and social roles in every sphere of the City by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside the home; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukie women have played a unique role throughout the history of the City by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force of the City; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukie women were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in our City; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukie women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukie women have served our country courageously in the military; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukie women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movements, and especially the peace movement; and

WHEREAS, despite these contributions, the role of Milwaukie women in history has been overlooked and undervalued.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Gamba, Mayor of the City of Milwaukie, a municipal corporation in the County of Clackamas, in the State of Oregon, and with the full support and sponsorship of the Milwaukie Historical Society, do hereby proclaim **MARCH 2017** to be **Women's History Month** in Milwaukie and do recommend its observance with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, and with the consent of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, I have hereunto set my hand on this 7th day of MARCH, 2017.

Mark Gamba, Mayor

ATTEST:

HISTORY MONTH

Scott S. Stauffer, City Recorder