

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Oregon will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States on August 18, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukie-Oak Grove Equal Suffrage League played a significant role in achieving full voting rights for women in Oregon at the 1912 general election; and

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

WHEREAS, American women have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, and social role in the life of Milwaukie, Oregon, and Our Nation by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside of the home; and

WHEREAS, American women have played a unique role throughout the history of Milwaukie, Oregon, and Our Nation by providing most of the volunteer labor force; and

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every social change movement, including the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial movement, the civil rights movement, and the peace movement, all of which created a more just society for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Gamba, Mayor of the City of Milwaukie, a municipal corporation in the County of Clackamas, in the State of Oregon, do hereby proclaim August 18, 2020, as Women's Suffrage Centennial day in Milwaukie, and encourage all community members to observe this important anniversary.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, and with the consent of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, I have hereunto set my hand on this 18th day of **August 2020**.



Mark Gamba, Mayor

ATTEST:



Scott Stauffer, City Recorder