

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2019, AS WOMEN'S DAY AND THE MONTH OF MARCH, 2019, AS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH IN THE CITY OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS, International Women's Day is observed annually on March 8<sup>th</sup> and is a global celebration of the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women as well as a call to action for accelerating gender parity; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, 2019's theme for International Women's Day is #BalanceforBetter and focuses on establishing gender balance in business, government, employment, wealth, and media and sports coverage; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, since its inception as Women's History Week in 1981, Women's History Month recognizes, honors, and celebrates the achievements of American women; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, 2019's national theme for Women's History Month, "Visionary Women: Champions of Peace & Nonviolence," honors women who have led efforts to end war, violence, and injustice and pioneered the use of nonviolence to change society; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, the influence and accomplishments of women demonstrating leadership and professionalism in our community have contributed to our community in all aspects of life, including the arts, education, medicine, business, government, and religion and have continued to help make Norman a safe, thriving, and vibrant community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

- § 6. Do hereby proclaim Friday, March 8, 2019, as Women's Day and the month of March, 2019, as Women's History Month in the City of Norman and invite all citizens to join me in celebrating the contributions and accomplishments of women in our community.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

