

WHEREAS, women have always played a critical role in shaping the economic, cultural, and social fabric of our society through their participation in the labor force, working both inside and outside the home, in leadership positions, and through creative inspiration; and

WHEREAS, Women's History Month provides an opportunity for schools and communities to expand and enhance what our children and our community know about the women's roles in history and their contributions to the development of this nation; and

WHEREAS, the story of American women is the story of women of all ages, races and cultural backgrounds who led campaigns for equality and civil rights, advanced professional and educational opportunities, founded entirely new enterprises, and contributed significantly to the arts, sciences, and humanistic causes; and

WHEREAS, women from every background have long realized that an uneven playing field will never bring equality or justice, and we all need to eliminate bias and discrimination entirely for our lives and institutions; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 theme for Women's History Month is "Moving forward together! Women Educating and Inspiring Generations," which celebrates the collective strength and influence of women who have dedicated their lives to education, mentorship, and leadership; and

WHEREAS, Women's History Month is both a call to acknowledge outstanding women we know by name and to pay homage to the dedication of nameless women who contributed to our nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Mark Stapp, Mayor of the city of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council in recognition of the significant role played by women, whose courage and vision inspire hope for today's women to make tomorrow's history, thereby proclaim the month of March 2025 as

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Mayor Mark Stapp March 18, 2025