

WHEREAS, Women's Equality Day was established in 1971 through a Joint Resolution of Congress, with the date of August 26 being chosen in commemoration of the passage of the 19th Amendment and, in celebration and recognition of the history of the United States suffrage movement that began at Seneca Falls, New York in 1848; and

WHEREAS, Women's Equality Day is an opportunity to recognize and honor efforts of the women and men who fought for equal rights for women and bring attention to the reality that, despite decades of progress, women have not achieved true equality beyond the voting booth; and

WHEREAS, women face an array of gender-related disparities in many areas, including but not limited to: employment earnings, economic security, personal safety and health care; and

WHEREAS, these disparities play a major role in the lack of women in positions of corporate leadership and elected office; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the efforts to achieve equal rights under the law for women and the critical position of women in American society, women and girls have rallied to demand equal rights and equal respect.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Chris Coursey, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim August 26, 2018 as



Mayor Chris Coursey August 21, 2018