

Resolution No. 2020 -

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF WOMEN'S RIGHT TO VOTE

WHEREAS, during America's early history, women were denied some of the basic rights enjoyed by male citizens, for example, married women could not own property and had no legal claim to any money they might earn, and no female had the right to vote; and

WHEREAS, in 1913, Alice Paul founded the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage, which later became the National Woman's Party, staging numerous demonstrations, petitioning Congress and the United States government to grant a women's right to have a voice in the American political system; and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 1920, the United States Congress passed the 19th Amendment, also known as women's suffrage, ratifying it on August 18, 1920, granting American women the right to vote for the first time in U.S. history; and

WHEREAS, just a few months after it was ratified, on November 2, 1920, more than 8 million women across the U.S. voted in elections for the very first time, adding their voice, and helping shape future elections for decades to come; and

WHEREAS, the introduction, passage, and ultimate ratification of the 19th Amendment was the culmination of decades of work and struggle by advocates for the rights of women across the United States and worldwide, ensuring women could more fully participate in our democracy and fundamentally changed the role of women in civic life of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, August 18, 2020 marks the 100-year anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment, representing a momentous milestone in our U.S. history, and should be lauded and celebrated.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors February 25, 2020 as a day to express our heartfelt appreciation of all Solano County women voters.

Dated this 25th day of February, 2020

ERIN HANNIGAN, Chairwoman
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk