



## County of Sonoma State of California

Date: August 20, 2019

Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Resolution Number: \_\_\_\_\_

4/5 Vote Required

### **Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California, Proclaiming August 26, 2019 to be Women's Equality Day in Sonoma County**

**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 not only an opportunity to recognize and honor efforts of the people who fought for equal rights for women; and

**Whereas,** Women's Equality Day is also an opportunity to 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 healthcare; and

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

**Whereas,** women and girls have rallied to demand equal rights and equal respect.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** by the Board of Supervisors of Sonoma County, in recognition of their effort to achieve equal rights under the law for women and the critical position of women in American society, that August 26, 2019 be proclaimed Women's Equality Day in Sonoma County.

#### **Supervisors:**

Gorin:

Zane:

Gore:

Hopkins:

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Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

**So Ordered.**