



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: October 22, 2019

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

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**Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California,
Recognizing Women’s Empowerment 2020 (WE-2020) Activities in Sonoma County
Celebrating and Commemorating the Upcoming 2020 Centennial Anniversary of the
Nineteenth Amendment, Women’s Constitutional Right To Vote**

Whereas, The Nineteenth Amendment became part of the United States Constitution on August 18, 1920 stating “The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex”; and

Whereas, In Sonoma County, Women’s Empowerment 2020 (WE-2020) is planning a year-long celebration to commemorate the 100th anniversary of women’s right to vote, whose mission is to Elevate, Celebrate and Inspire Women Throughout Sonoma County; and

Whereas, WE-2020 goals are to increase the number of women who: vote, run for office, lead organizations and to connect women leaders with women and girls who are ready to move into leadership roles; and

Whereas, Sonoma County founded the Women’s History Project which petitioned Congress for the creation of National Women’s History Month, a nation-wide event occurring by Presidential proclamation in March of every year as a month set aside to honor women's contributions in American history, making the goal of Sonoma County’s WE-2020 to empower Sonoma County women to attain true equity especially appropriate; and

Whereas, WE-2020 plans to create and produce a limited number of high profile events, will have a strong presence at existing events, will design and maintain an interactive web hub to connect women and uncover those career fields where women remain in the minority, will raise funds to pay its contributors and secure speakers and performers not generally seen in Sonoma County and is deeply committed to increasing the number of women who vote and the number of girls who will pre-register to vote.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors recognizes the activities of Women's Empowerment 2020 (WE-2020) in Sonoma County to celebrate and commemorate the upcoming 2020 Centennial Anniversary of the Nineteenth Amendment, Women's Constitutional Right to Vote.

Supervisors:

Gorin: Zane: Gore: Hopkins: Rabbitt:

Ayes: Noes: Absent: Abstain:

So Ordered.