

RESOLUTION NO. 19-2020 (CRR)

By Council Member Russell

A Resolution recognizing March 2020 as *National Women's History Month*; and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, the citizens of Cleveland Heights take great pride in the City's diversity and harmonious relationships that exist among and within the City's many diverse groups; and

WHEREAS, in 1987, National Women's History Month was established as a way to celebrate women across the Nation, including their efforts to make the country and world a better place for women of all ages and races; and

WHEREAS, American women have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, and social role in our Nation by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside of the home; and

WHEREAS, American women were integral in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in our Nation; and

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement; and

WHEREAS, despite these contributions, the role of American women in history has been historically overlooked and undervalued; and

WHEREAS, the month of March is recognized as *National Women's History Month* by communities throughout the United States in order to honor and celebrate the struggles and achievements of American women throughout the history of the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The month of March 2020 is hereby designated *National Women's History Month* in the City of Cleveland Heights in recognition of the struggles and achievements of American women in this community and our country. The City hereby reaffirms its commitment to preserve Cleveland Heights as a truly inclusive community and to continue the tradition of appreciation and honor of the women who came before us and fought for equality among all races and genders.

SECTION 2. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

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SECTION 3. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to recognize *National Women's History Month* in a timely fashion. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

JASON S. STEIN, Mayor
President of Council

SUSANNA R. NIERMANN
Acting Clerk of Council

PASSED: March 2, 2020