

RESOLUTION RECORD
VILLAGE OF NEWBURGH HEIGHTS, OHIO
RESOLUTION: 23-11

Introduced by: Council Member Dorene Kray

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF MARCH AS
“WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH,” AND ACKNOWLEDGING THE NEED
TO CONTINUE THE EDUCATION REGARDING THE OFTEN-
OVERLOOKED CONTRIBUTIONS OF WOMEN THROUGHOUT OUR
HISTORY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, The National Women’s History Alliance, spearheaded the movement for March being declared Women’s History Month.

WHEREAS, since 1987, the United States has formally recognized March as National Women’s History Month to celebrate the often-overlooked contributions of women in history, society, and culture.

WHEREAS, 50.5% of the United States’ population are women and 49.7% of the world’s population are women, according to the 2022 World Bank data.

WHEREAS, International Women’s Day is currently celebrated on March 8, 2023.

WHEREAS, The National Women’s History Alliance’s theme for 2023, “Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories,” celebrates women and their many contributions to our world, for example:

1. Authors: Toni Morrison, Maxine Hong Kingston, Maya Angelou, Gerda Lerner, Winona La Duke, Itka Frajman Zygmuntowicz, and Gertrude Stein.
2. Journalists: Jovita Idar, Gloria Steinem, Marjory Stoneman Douglas.
3. Inventors: Madam C.J. Walker, Hedy Lamarr, Marie Van Brittan Brown, Stephanie Kwolek, and Patricia Bath.
4. Mathematicians: Dorothy Vaughan, Katherine Goble Johnson, and Mary Jackson.

These Women and numerous others have achieved countless noteworthy breakthroughs, highlighting the many inspirational hidden figures among the lives of our family and friends.

WHEREAS, Women have always been present in US society:

1. In the military - Revolutionary War, many women fought next to their husbands, and others picked up the work they left behind.
2. In 1901, The Army Nurse Corps was created and in 1908, The Navy Nurse Corps was created.
3. In the 1940’s, The Women Army Corp (WACs) and the Women Accepted for Voluntary Emergency Service (WAVEs) were formed, with women handling tasks from stenography to top secret code breaking.

WHEREAS, the 1900s showed progress for American women:

1. In 1920, The 19th Amendment passed, providing women the right to vote, and in the 1940's, women went to work in factories to fill vacancies left by men heading to the warfront.
2. The 1900's also saw laws permitting Married women to own property in their own name, keep their own wages, and open their own credit cards.
3. The 1980's saw the first woman on Supreme Court, Sandra Day O'Connor, and Sally Ride became the first woman in space.

WHEREAS, Women have always been present in politics. In fact, numerous women have run for political seats, including the following:

1. In 1872, Victoria Woodhull, became the first woman to place her name for president, with running mate Frederick Douglass.
2. In 1964, Margaret Chase Smith made the primary ballot to be at the Republican convention, and in 1972, Shirley Chisholm won the primary in New Jersey for Democratic nomination.

WHEREAS, In 2016, Hilary Clinton was the first woman nominated for president by a major party, and in 2020, Kamala Harris was the first woman, and first woman of color elected Vice President. WHEREAS, Education offered an avenue for major progress and opportunities for women. A few of the colleges are still operating today:

1. In 1772, the first college to accept women, Salem College in North Carolina, was founded.
2. In 1871, the first women's college in Ohio, Ursuline College, was founded in Cleveland, Ohio.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NEWBURGH HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA AND STATE OF OHIO THAT:

Section 1. Council hereby declares the month of March as "Women's History Month" in the Village of Newburgh Heights.

Section 2. Council hereby encourages all people, and especially the residents of the Village of Newburgh Heights to do the following:

- Become educated about women's contributions in our history, society, culture - whether in full view or hidden.

Section 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in open meetings of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council were in meetings open to the public and in full compliance with

Section 4. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the Village and for the further


reason that the Village wishes to raise awareness of Women's History and contributions through all phases of history through today by declaring the month of March as Women's History Month, whereby this resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its adoption.

Therefore, this Resolution shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

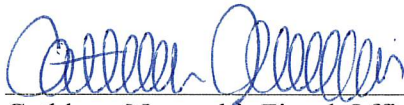
PASSED: March 7, 2023

Approved as to Form

Solicitor



Gigi Traore, Mayor
Village of Newburgh Heights, Ohio



Cathleen Nagorski, Fiscal Officer
Village of Newburgh Heights, Ohio

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