PROCLAMATION

Women's History Month ~ March 2021

- **WHEREAS,** the first Women's History Week in 1982, marked the beginning of a new chapter in American history; one in which recognition of women and their hard work, and the promotion of their rights, became a more explicit concern. That initial effort was expanded in 1987, when March was designated as Women's History Month; and
- **WHEREAS**, the purpose of Women's History Month is to increase consciousness and knowledge of women's history: to take one month of the year to remember all women, with a promise it will be impossible to teach or learn history without remembering their contributions; and
- **WHEREAS,** women have played critical roles in our history and continue to serve as leaders ~ not only securing women's rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but evolving our collective well being creating a more fair and just society for all; and
- whereas, a grass-roots volunteer effort, which was initiated by women that live in the City of Elk Grove, in tandem with a broad representation of women and girls from throughout Sacramento County, was started to further equity and opportunity for women and girls in Sacramento County; and
- WHEREAS, the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors established a Blue-Ribbon Commission to advise the Board of Supervisors and the public on the merits of a Sacramento County Women's Commission which was led by and included women from Elk Grove; and
- whereas, on December 15, 2020, the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors approved the establishment of a Sacramento County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls. The advisory council will help shape policy decisions that impact women and girls; act as a resource to advance economic opportunities for women and girls; and gather data on the status of women and girls.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove hereby proclaims March 2021 as Women's History Month in the City of Elk Grove and looks forward to supporting and learning from the Sacramento County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls.

SIGNED this 24th day of March, 2021.

BOBBIE SINGH-ALLEN, MAYOR

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