

County of Buncombe

Proclamation

Women's History Month

WHEREAS, March is nationally recognized as Women's History Month; and

WHEREAS, Buncombe County is proud to join in the nation's celebration of Women's History Month and the 2023 theme "Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories," which honors women in every community who have devoted their lives and talents to producing art, pursuing truth, and reflecting the human condition decade after decade; and

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to our nation and community in countless recorded and unrecorded ways; and

WHEREAS, Buncombe County is committed to creating an inclusive community that celebrates diversity and ensures all residents have equitable opportunities to lead healthy, peaceful, safe and sustainable lives; and

WHEREAS, whether serving in elected positions across America, leading groundbreaking civil rights movements, venturing into unknown frontiers, or programming revolutionary technologies, generations of women that knew their gender was no obstacle to what they could accomplish have long stirred new ideas and opened new doors, having a profound and positive impact on our community; and

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

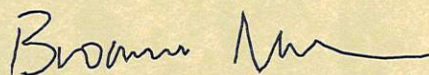
WHEREAS, American women were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in our communities; and

WHEREAS, American women have served our country courageously in the military; and

WHEREAS, American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist, emancipation, labor, civil rights, justice, and other movements; and

WHEREAS, despite these contributions, the role of women in American history has often been overlooked and undervalued in literature, education, and culture.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on this 21st day of March 2023, the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim March 2023 as Women's History Month, a time to celebrate the important contributions that women have made to our families, our stories, our community, our state, and our nation.



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Chairman, Buncombe County Board of Commissioners