

CITY OF NAPA PROCLAMATION

Recognizing the Month of March as Women's History Month *March 15, 2022*

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our Nation in countless ways; and

WHEREAS, American women have played and continue to play critical economic, cultural, and social roles in every sphere of the life of the Nation and our community; and

WHEREAS, American women served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement creating a more fair society for all; and

WHEREAS, despite these contributions, the role of American women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, in the literature, teaching and study of American history; and

WHEREAS, 2022 marks the 50th anniversary of the federal law known as Title IX which prohibits sex-based discrimination in education programs or activities; and Title IX has resulted in providing young women with an equal opportunity to pursue their passion in many areas, notably including athletics where now more than 56% of teen women participate in at least one sport; and

WHEREAS, in Napa, there are many exemplary women student athletes and teams, including Jamie Pope of Vintage High School who won the league and section tennis title in 2021, Tessa Salvestrin who led Justin Siena's Girls Soccer Team and was named the 2020-21 Napa County Girls Soccer Player of the Year, and from Napa High School, Ella Turjanis, who captains the Varsity Girls Soccer Team and plays for Santa Rosa United's Elite Club National Level Soccer team and Sofia Tinnon, a Junior Olympian in Track and Field, First Team All-Conference Basketball in 2020-21 and Napa County Female Athlete of the Year in 2020; and

WHEREAS, the next generation of women leaders is already contributing in new and exciting ways; including members of the Vintage High School Girls Wrestling team who, under the leadership of Maika Watanabe, have won both the league and section title and had five athletes qualify for the California State Tournament in a sport that has traditionally been male-dominated and who have demonstrated courageous leadership and serve as an example for all young people; and

WHEREAS, Napa is fortunate to have a rich history of women serving the community as Mayor, City Councilmembers, and within the City organization, and we recognize the contributions of current Councilmembers Beth Painter and Liz Alessio and Vice-Mayor Mary Luros for their dedication in leading our organization and continually striving for improvements in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Scott Sedgley, Mayor of the City of Napa, along with the City Council, do hereby recognize March 2022 as "Women's History Month," and call upon the people of Napa to observe March as Women's History Month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and celebrations.

Dated: March 15, 2022

SCOTT SEDGLEY, MAYOR
CITY OF NAPA