



STATE *of* MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Throughout history, extraordinary women have made significant contributions to the growth and strength of our state and nation in countless ways; and
- WHEREAS: Through leadership, innovation, and ingenuity, generations of women have made significant contributions in science, medicine, technology, business, entrepreneurship, and arts and culture; and
- WHEREAS: Today, more women are their family's primary income earner than ever before; women comprise half of our nation's workers, and they are increasingly among the most skilled; and
- WHEREAS: The growing impact of women in our workforce has bolstered our economy and strengthened our families; and
- WHEREAS: Women of every background were early leaders in the forefront of major movements for social change; and
- WHEREAS: Women have been leaders in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity; and in the abolitionist, emancipation, industrial labor, civil rights, and peace movements, creating a more fair and just society for all; and
- WHEREAS: Despite their contributions, the role of women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued in literature, education, and culture; and
- WHEREAS: This month, we celebrate countless pioneering women and the victories, and we continue our work to build a society where our daughters have the same possibilities as our sons.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2017, as:

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

in the state of Minnesota.



Steve Pinnon

SECRETARY OF STATE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the state of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 8th day of March.

Mark Dayton
GOVERNOR