

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

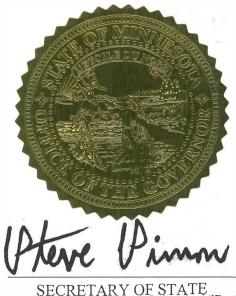
continue our work to build a society where our daughters have the same

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.



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.

GOVERNOR