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CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARCH AS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

WHEREAS, Women's History Month is celebrated in March every year to honor and recognize the contributions of women to events in history and contemporary society; *and*

WHEREAS, In 1987, after being petitioned by the National Women's History Project, Congress passed Pub. L. 100-9, which designated the month of March 1987 as "Women's History Month"; *and*

WHEREAS, Since 1987 the President has proclaimed March as Women's History Month and is now annually dedicated to reflecting on the significant roles women have played in shaping our nation and the world; *and*

WHEREAS, Women's History Month is also an opportunity to educate the public about the generations of women who have influenced our nation and honor the extraordinary achievements of women and their role in shaping the social, economic, cultural, political and global community; *and*

WHEREAS, American women, and women of color, have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which create a more fair and just society for all; *and*

WHEREAS, From Phillis Wheatley, whose 18th century poetry informed the early antislavery movement, to Joanne Daniels-Finegold who successfully advocated for ramps to be included on every MBTA bus in the early 2000s, and so many others, the City of Boston is indebted to the work of women who have passionately resisted injustice and fiercely advocated for equity and progress; *and*

WHEREAS, As we celebrate Women's History Month, let us honor the profound impact of mothers, whose legacy extends far beyond the confines of the home, leaving an indelible mark on the fabric of humanity, nurturing and shaping generations with boundless love, resilience, and wisdom; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council hereby recognize March as Women's History Month and honor the contributions and achievements of women throughout American history and contemporary society.