

Proclamation

- Whereas, August 26, 1920, marks the certification of the 19th Amendment of the United States Constitution, which states that the right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex; and*
- Whereas, this monumental day secured the right to vote for U.S. women and became a major victory for the women's rights and gender equality movement; and*
- Whereas, 2020 holds immeasurable historical significance as it is the 100th Anniversary of the certification of the 19th Amendment; and*
- Whereas, millions of women have since voted in local, regional, and national elections, and every year we see an increase in the number of women running for office or elected to office; and*
- Whereas, in 1973, Congress passed a joint resolution championed by U.S. Representative Bella Abzug, designating August 26th as Women's Equality Day in order to commemorate the certification of the 19th Amendment and to serve as a symbol of the continued fight for equal rights; and*
- Whereas, while the fight for equality is far from over, Women's Equality Day celebrates the achievements of women's rights activists and serves as a reminder of the unique daily struggles that women face.*

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that I, Richard Montgomery, Mayor of the City of Manhattan Beach, California, on behalf of the City Council and the residents of Manhattan Beach, acknowledge the centennial of the enactment of the 19th amendment of the United States Constitution and do hereby proclaim August 26, 2020 as

Women's Equality Day

Together we celebrate the accomplishments of all women and continue our commitment to support gender equality in the City of Manhattan Beach and across the world.

Dated this 18th day of August, 2020.

ATTEST:

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MAYOR RICHARD MONTGOMERY

