STATE OF ARIZONA PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, women in Arizona's history have transformed the state and entire nation through leadership in a wide range of fields including elected and appointed public service, military service, public safety, entrepreneurship, business, education, medicine, the arts, philanthropy, and charitable service; and

WHEREAS, the first woman United States Supreme Court Justice, Sandra Day O'Connor; first woman state Chief Justice in United States history, Arizona Supreme Court Chief Justice Lorna Lockwood; one of the first women in the United States elected to a state legislature, Representative Rachel Emma Allen Berry are from Arizona; and

WHEREAS, Arizona inaugurated five female statewide officeholders in 1999, the first time women held all statewide elected offices in United States history; and

WHEREAS, Arizona became the tenth state to grant women full voting rights in 1912, nearly eight years before the United States Congress ratified the 19th Amendment and granted women the right to vote nationally; and

WHEREAS, Arizona celebrates the women whose tenacity, courage and grit contributed to the development and continued growth throughout Arizona communities; and

WHEREAS, women from across the United States have contributed to the achievements, prosperity and continued growth of our nation and these examples of leadership and determination should be honored and recognized; and

WHEREAS, Congress passed legislation in 1981 which authorized and requested the President to proclaim the week beginning March 7, 1982 as "Women's History Week;" and

WHEREAS, in 1987, Congress passed a law which designated the month of March 1987 as "Women's History Month;" and

WHEREAS, Every President since 1995 has issued annual proclamations designating March to be "Women's History Month."

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 2020 as

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-seventh day of February in the year Two Thomas and Twenty and of the Indonesia of the

in the year Two Thousand and Twenty and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Fourth.

ATTEST

SECRETARY OF STATE