



**Proclamation  
By the  
Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Council**

*To whom all these presents shall come, greetings.  
Know ye, that the Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Council  
hereby proclaims March as Women's History Month:*

**WHEREAS**, every year since 1987, the U.S. Congress and later the U.S. Presidents have declared March as Women's History Month in the United States;

**WHEREAS**, the Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Council wishes to recognize the contributions of women on a local level, and to ensure that every woman looks within herself and aspires to her highest potential;

**WHEREAS**, women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of Louisville Metro and the U.S. in countless recorded and unrecorded ways;

**WHEREAS**, women have played and continue to play critical economic, cultural, and social roles in Louisville Metro and across the U.S. by constituting a significant portion of the labor force, working inside and outside of the home;

**WHEREAS**, women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement;

**WHEREAS**, women have served our country courageously in the military;

**WHEREAS**, women 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;

**WHEREAS**, despite these contributions, the role of American women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, in the literature, teaching and study of American history.

**NOW THEREFORE, THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT HEREBY PROCLAIMS MARCH AS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH IN THE LOUISVILLE METRO AREA AND URGES ALL CITIZENS TO BE MINDFUL OF THE MANY VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS OF WOMEN IN OUR SOCIETY.**

**"LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT  
WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH"**

Done this 9th day of March, 2017.

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By: Councilwoman Mary C. Woolridge  
Louisville Metro Council, District 3